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Prov'd in Essex County Court by ye oaths of ye witnesses hereto ye 23d. day of 7ber: 1698 & truely recorded

Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

pp. 245-246 In Obedience to an order of Essex County Court to we ye Subscribers directed bearing date ye 13th day of July 1698, being first sworne by Mr. THO: EDMONDSON, have Inventoryed & appraised JNO: POOLEs Estate deced that was presented to us by JAMES BOUGHAN & RICHD. COVINGTON, Admrs. of ye sd Estate, viz.

To 2 Cowes & Calves, 2 ditto, a steer, 2 heifeers 3 years old, a 3 year old steer; one Woman Servt., 2 horses, 3 old chairs, an old flock bed & rugg, a old feather bed & 2 bolsters & curtins, a parcell of old Carpenters tooles, 2 chests, a old table & a old cattaile bed, a parcell of old table linen & sifter, a parcell of old pewter, a case of pistolls & holsters, spoons & a tin candlestick, a horse coller, a pr. of wooll cards, 2 pr. of pott racks, a spitt & a pr. of tonnes & a old saw, a smoothing iron & an old frying pan, tubs & a earthen pann, a pestell & old grubbing hoe, a grin stone & three wedes, a old brass kettle, a copper ditto, 3 iron potts Total 10371

The above named appraisers were ROBT. HALSEY
Sworne before me ye 25th of July 1698 RICHD. GREGORY
THO: EDMONDSON RICHD. R TYLER

Presented by RICHD. COVINGTON & JAMES BOUGHAN (Admrs. of JNO: POOL deced) upon oath at a Court held for Essex County ye 23d day of Sept. 1698 & truely recorded

Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

pp. 246-247 KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that we WM. DIAR, THO: DAVIS & THO: HUCKLESCOTT of the County of Essex are held and firmly bound unto his Maties. Justices of the peace for the sd. County in the just summ of Twenty thousand pds. of good sound merchantable tobo: and Caske to the which payment we bind ourselves our heirs firmly by these presents; Witness our hands & seales this 23d. day of 7ber: 1698

The Condicon of the above obligacon is such that if the above bound WM. DYAR, Admr. of JARRT. EVENS EState do make a perfect inventory of all the goods chattells rights & credits of ye sd. deced. & the same so made do exhibit to ye next Court that shall be held for the County of Essex & make oath thereto, & truely administer on ye sd. Estate according to Law & give a true acct. of his administracon & pay unto such persons as ye Court shall appoint, then ye above obligacon to be void otherwise to stand and remain in full force and virtue

Signed sealed & dd. in presence of us
RICHD. GOVINGTON, WM. ⊢ DIAR
JAMES BOUGHAN THO: ⊣ DAVIS
THO: HUCKLESCOTT

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This Indenture or Deed of Sale made this Second of July Anno 1695 between
Thomas Meader of the County & parish of Gloucester of the one party & Josiah
Shipp of the County & parish aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the Meader
aforesaid for & in consideration of three thousand pounds of good sound tobacco
to him in hand at & before the sealing of these presents by the aforesaid Josiah
Shipp well & truly paid & delivered unto the Thomas Meader doth hereby
acknowledge him thereof fully satisfied & paid doth hereby alienate & bargain
sell & confirm & by these presents doth fully & clearly & absolutely
give grant bargain sell alienate & confirm unto the Josiah Shipp
his heirs Exrs Admrs or Assigns for ever one hundred & fifty acres of Land
lying on the South side of Rappa River in the County & parish aforesaid
it being part of a greater tract of Land wch the Thomas Meader & his father
John Meader deceased had of ye Lord Proprietor in exchange of another
tract of Land called Chickahock the said hundred & fifty acres of Land
to be laid out proportionable in length & breadth together with a plantation
where the Josiah Shipp now lives together with all & singular its rights
privileges woods underwoods waters watercourses profits & commodities hereditaments
whatsoever appertaining or any ways thereunto belonging
to have & hold the Land with all & singular other appurtenances hereby
granted bargained & sold or mentioned to be herein or hereby granted
bargained & sold unto the aforesaid Josiah Shipp his heirs Exrs Admrs for
ever. The the Thomas Meader for himself his heirs Exrs & the tract or
parcel of Land with all & singular its rights privileges appurtenances &
hereditaments whatsoever thereunto belonging or any ways appertaining
unto the Josiah Shipp his heirs Exrs Admrs or Assigns for ever against
him the the Meader his heirs Exrs or Assigns all & every other person
or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming by from or under him them
or any of them shall & will warrant & for ever defend by these
presents from time to time & all times hereafter for ever peaceably &
quietly to have hold use occupy & enjoy the aforesaid tract or parcel of
Land hundred & fifty acres of Land all & singular the premises granted
premises with their & every of their rights or privileges whatsoever
without any lawfull Let hinderance molestation or
disturbance of the the Meader his heirs Exrs Admrs or Assigns
or of any other person or persons whatsoever lawfully claiming
by from or under him them or any of them or by his or their

Thomas IV to Josiah Shipp

means or procurement and further of indeed the Mr. Wader doth by these presents firmly oblige himself to make its acknowledged upon Deed of Sale in the County Court of Essex himself in person or otherwise by his Lawfull Attorney when thereunto required by ye above Josiah Hogg and likewise ye above Mr. Wader doth hereby firmly oblige myself my heirs Exr Adm or Assigns to give further assurance of Deed or Conveyance if this proved any way deficient in law in confirmation of ye above the rules of every clause therein contained the above Mr. Wader hath hereunto set his hand & affixt his seale ye day & year above mentd.

Signed sealed & delivered in ye presence of
John X his mark Wright
John Gray

Signed
Tho T M Wader (Seal)

At a Court held for Essex County ye 10th day of July Anno Dom 1695 the within named Mr. Wader appeared & acknowledged ye within mentioned Deed to be his Act & Deed to ye within named Josiah Hogg & was ordered to be recorded & soe transcribed

Mr. Wade

Know all men by these presents that I Mr. Wader of ye parish of Rettington in the County of Essex for & in the consideration of ye within Deed of Sale to Josiah Hogg for his more security & for ye consideration therein named is hereby acknowledge to have received do hereby Ratify & confirm unto Bargain & sale of Land from me my heirs Exr & Adm to him the said Josiah Hogg his heirs Exr & Adm & Assigns for ever with all ye priviledges profits & appurtenances in ye will in all respects in full & ample manner according as ye sale is conveyed & ordered as witness my hand & seale ye 10th day of January 1695

Tho T Wader (Seal)

Witt Thomas Short
James Boulware

Acknowledged in Essex County Court ye 10th day of January Anno Dom 1695 & truly recorded

Witt Thomas Wade Clerk

Know all men by these presents that we John Denise Clerk & Mary of ye parish of Rettington & Hugh in ye County of Essex

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The Condicon of this obligacon is such that if the above bound ANN MEADER, Surviving Exex. of JNO: MESS deced., who at a Court held for Essex County ye 11th day of July 1698 obtain'd a Probate of ye Will of ye sd. JNO: MESS deced, do at all times hereafter fullfill ye sd Will fully & satisfie all such Legatees as therein are expressed & p:form all ye Law enjoynes in such cases; That then ye above obligacon to be void, other wise to stand and remaine in full force & virtue

Signed sealed & delivered in ye presence of

RICHD. COVINGTON, RICHD. MEADER
ROBT. MOSELEY ANN M MEADER
ROBT. HALSEY

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Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of us

RICHD. COVINGTON, ZACH: M MEFLING
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p. 248 In April last 1698, THOMAS DAVIES & FRANCES his Wife did hear JARRT. EVENS upon his death bed say I give all my Land to my Daughter, & after her decease to JNO: DYER, his Brother, ye sd. Land if she dyed without issue, & that he did give to MARY DYER his Mother, a Cow & Calfe, three hoggs & some of them I give to my Mother, to JAMES MERRIOTT I give as much kersey as will make him a Coat halfe my Corne, halfe my Bacon & four sheates; as for ye rest of my Estate to my Daughter & after her decease to the sd. JNO: DYER

THOMAS —| DAVIES
FRANCES TT DAVIES

Sworne to in Essex County Court ye 23d. day of 7ber: 1698

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p. 249 KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I JNO: LACEY of Essex County, Exr. of JONATHAN LACEY deced. do hereby constitute & authorize HENRY WOODNOTT of the aforesaid County to appear for me ye next Essex Court or any & then & there in my name to sue & recover from THOMAS SMITH all such debts as shall appear to me justly due by Bill & Acct., to ye aforesd. deceds. Estate, and I do hereby confirm whatsoever ye sd. HENRY WOODNOT shall do or cause to be done about ye premisses, As Witness my hand this eight day of September 1698

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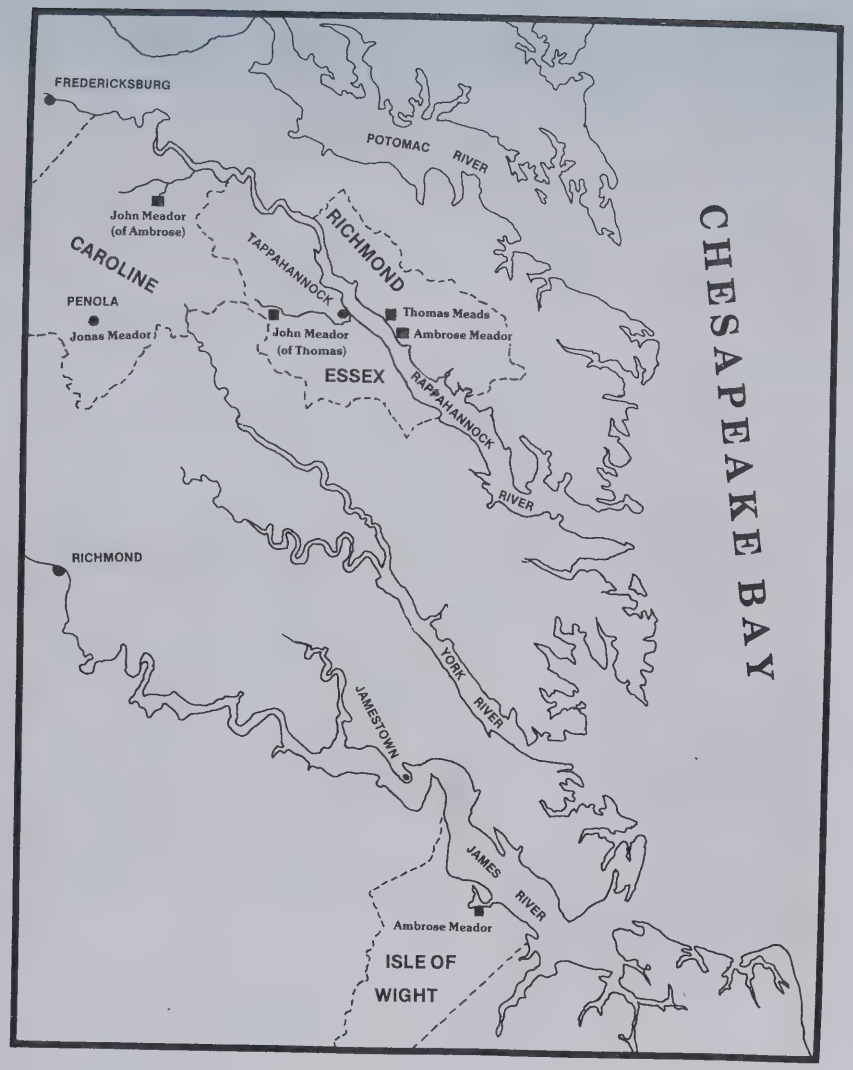

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Preface

The first lineages of the Meador families in colonial America were prepared by Commander Partee Crouch, Jr., in the early 1950's. They have been passed on through a communication at that time to Judge Daniel B. Meador. For these many years following, we who enjoy investigating these early families have built upon and expanded the basic lineages Crouch defined. They have remained virtually unchanged to this day, despite many attempts at modification.

Nevertheless, it was felt that a new examination of the evidence was at last called for, in order to resolve the many questions that have arisen with time. Much reliance had been placed heretofore upon published excerpts of the original public records (which certainly have their merits). But now a re-reading of the earliest available records appeared warranted, with the aim of examining again not only the available records on the Meador families, but those of many allied families and neighbors as well. It was hoped that this would make possible a new assessment of those relationships, and an exact determination of the localities where each family had lived. To this end, grants and deeds were read in full, and many other original sources were searched for the events which affected the lives and beliefs of those early settlers. The objective was to try to determine the religion, occupations, and living conditions of these immigrants to the Jamestown colony.

Many difficulties become apparent immediately when such a search is begun. Principal among the difficulties has been the loss of many records. While the Isle of Wight, Essex, and Richmond counties of Virginia have preserved numerous excellent records, many of the books of (old) Rappahannock and Lancaster counties have failed to survive. Nearly all those of Caroline and King and Queen counties have been destroyed by fire. Some of the surviving records exist only as third-hand copies, as earlier copyists tried to preserve the records on crumbling pages. Many of these copies reflect the difficulties of trying to interpret unclear penmanship and damaged portions of the pages. They must surely contain many mistakes.

In many cases, the early settlers were unable to write or spell their names. Their names were then spelled phonetically by the clerks, resulting in at least 23 variations of the name "Meador" in these records. Also, many marriages, deeds, and wills were never recorded due to the difficulties involved in doing so at the time. In addition, the early families repeated the same given names (without middle name or initial) through several generations, resulting in a profusion of similar names that almost defy unraveling. Lastly, life expectancy among these early Americans was often short, and the consequent remarriages have added much confusion.

These uncertainties have led to numerous conjectures and assumptions, which have sometimes been taken as fact and passed on as such to other researchers, though unsupported by factual records. Many of these proposed relationships may never be proven or disproven. In assessing these proposed connections, one should refer to original records rather than to abbreviated excerpts or interpretations by other researchers.

Many uncertainties still remain. The material that follows should not be viewed as carved in granite. Where facts support a certain conclusion, the references are given; where assumptions have had to be made due to the lack of support by known facts, these are so labeled. As all of us have learned, genealogy is a continuing evolution as new records are brought to light. It is hoped that others will periodically reexamine and reassess the available information to keep the family history as accurate as possible.

This present effort also includes an attempt to fill in between the cold lines of the genealogy chart and allow us to picture our ancestors as living beings, rather than as just names on a list; to add flesh to the bare bones of recorded facts. This has been the most difficult part, because the daily lives of these pioneers are not recorded in grants and deeds, but must be extrapolated from meager indications of the circumstances that surrounded them daily.

Particular effort has been made to plot the specific locations of Meador land holdings, in order to differentiate them between individuals by more than their given names or by the spelling of their surnames. To this end, land

grants, deeds, willed property, church and court records were examined. As a result, four distinct areas occupied by these early Meador families have been defined:

(1) in early Isle of Wight (Warrisquicke) County, Virginia, particularly along the Pagan River;
(2) in present Richmond (once Lancaster) County, on the east bank of the Rappahannock River, in the vicinity of Totuskey Creek and Wellford;
(3) in present Essex County west of the Rappahannock on Hoskins Creek, about 7 1/2 miles west of Tappahannock, the county seat;
(4) in present Caroline County on Peumansend Creek, which then included that portion now called Mill Creek, and which is now within the bounds of the A. P. Hill Military Reservation.

Maps of each of these areas showing the Meador land holdings in each location are included.

There has been much discussion of the many variant spellings of our name. Careful comparison of records in an area often reveals that only one man of Meador lineage was in the area, and that the different rendition of the name refer to this man. As an example, the name of Ambrose Meador is spelled variously as Meades, Meader, Meather, and Meathes. In later years, as the family members became more literate, the preferred spelling of their signatures is "Meador," and this spelling, along with "Meadow" and "Meadows" is used by the majority of descendants today. However, most descendants seem to have a common origin.

For those unfamiliar with the Julian calendar then in effect, it should be noted that the new year began on March 25 and continued until the next March 24, so that dates in the records given in the first three months of the year actually should be read as in the following year by today's standards. The calendar was not changed to begin on the first of January until 1752.

Like many others, the authors have conducted a limited search for our English forebearers. It is felt that an in-depth study of English records, similar to the search of Virginia records which is chronicled herein, will surely reveal the ancestors of our American immigrants. Also, perhaps soon the names of

The Indians and Bacon's Rebellion

From the founding of the Jamestown colony in 1607, relations with the local Indian tribes had been a continuing problem. Resentment of the encroachment upon their traditional tribal lands had led to much unrest among the Indians. The massacres of 1622 and 1644 took a great toll of the colonists. As the migration to the New World increased, the pressure for additional land caused the settlers to force the Indians from more and more areas. Despite many treaties with the natives and restrictive laws by the Jamestown authorities, the occupation of outlying areas continued.

For a time, white settlement was forbidden above the Pamunkey River; later this prohibition was only for land above the Piscattaway and Totuskey Creeks. But many settlers filed claim upon the choice river front lands, and by 1646-1650 (as detailed in the first chapter) grants were being given along the Rappahannock River on these areas. The river valley was occupied principally by the Rappahannock Indians, with a few villages of Mattaponi, Moratticoes, Totuskeys, Portobagoes, and others. These tribes were forced into the forested lands behind the mile-deep grants. Behind the grants to James Williamson, William Underwood, and the land of Thomas Meads and others on the east bank of the river, the Rappahannock Indians had villages at Totuskey Creek, Cat Point Creek, and the present site of Warsaw.

Tension between the settlers and the Indians remained high, and there were recurring raids, for which the nearby Rappahannocks received most of the blame. In February, 1654,[1] a small army was raised, with 100 men from Lancaster County, 40 from Northumberland, and 30 from Westmoreland to meet the threat. They met at the plantation of Thomas Meades on the eastern shore, and were to march from thence to the village of the Rappahannocks (probably near Warsaw) to ensure peace, without provoking hostilities. The outcome is not recorded, but the Rappahannocks seemingly caused no trouble.

Not so with the Doegs, the Susquehannocks, and the Senecas (from Maryland), whose numerous raids into the northern colonies caused great hardships during

the 1660's and 1670's. One such raid took place in 1661 at the plantation of Richard White (who later became the father-in-law of (3) John Meador). White's plantation lay on the north side of Hoskins Creek, opposite that of John Meador. Though Richard White and his wife Addra escaped, their son Thomas White and two men were brutally murdered. An account of the results of this raid, as viewed by a committee of twelve men, forms a gruesome record.[2]

> "The ninth day of September, Anno Domini 1661. We, the undersigned, being impaneled and sworn to Enquire into the deaths of the Englishmen lately murthered at the house of Richard White in the freshes of Rappahannock County, we went up to the said plantation and viewed the bodies and found the body of (------) --amelly massacred in the house of the aforesaid White (------) his skull splitt on the forehead down to the (------) his skull beaten in the side of the head over the eyes. Moreover near the door of the said house we found the body of Thomas White, Sonn of the aforesaid Richard (------) striped naked with his skull beaten in over the eye, also we found the skull of Daniel Pignell Servant to the lord Richard White beaten in the side of the head with an ax as we conceive by the bigness of the hole in the skull, also we found that part of the body of the said Pignell was carried away with Varment but the hind quarters from the loins we found dragged in a swamp by which said consequences of the said action, and by the examination of an English Servant of the said Whites named John Evans that escaped out of the house at that time when the murther was committed we do all agree in our verdict that it was the Indians, also by the report of an Indian of Nanzemum named George, a great man of the said towne, that went with us to the plantation the same time when we viewed the dead bodyes--he told us that the same day that the murther was committed he found the footing of divers Indians going from the said plantation."

Perhaps 300 settlers were killed in these raids. Demanding protection, the settlers petitioned the Jamestown Government for arms, forts, and soldiers. From Rappahannock County was sent a "Petition of 15 Grievances" signed by, among others, Henry Awbrey and Col. Thomas Gouldman. They begged that "the war with the heathen...may be prosecuted effectually and managed in such sort

that some Counties may not be totally ruined whilst others live in...peace and quietness, whilst poore Rappahannock lies ableeding whose number of people murthered and estates destroyed can find no parallel in Virginia...for wile we are tending corn to feed our wives and children, the Indians...would butcher us in our fields, they being so frequent about us that we dare not stir from our plantations."[3]

Governor Berkeley ordered the colonists to band together, ten men to a house, and ordered a 500-man army raised to defend the frontiers. To support this army, a tax of 500 pounds of tobacco per poll was levied. This was a very dear tax, as in that year (1676) there had been a severe drouth and crop failure. An army of 250 men was raised under the command of Major Thomas Truman of Maryland and Col. John Washington of Virginia, but proved ineffective against the hit-and-run tactics of the Indians.

Dissatisfaction with these measures led the colonists to raise a volunteer army of their own, and a wealthy, cocky newcomer from England, Nathaniel Bacon, was chosen as their leader. Bacon's request to the Governor for a commission to lead this army was refused, so he determined to set out on his own. With his little army he raided some "tame" Pamunkeys, then assaulted some friendly Occaneechees, killing 30 of them. Governor Berkeley declared him a rebel, whereupon Bacon seized Jamestown and forced Berkeley to grant him a commission. Bacon then issued a "Declaration of the People," which has since been hailed as democracy proclaimed a hundred years before the American Revolution. Protesting the colonial government even more than the Indian situation, Bacon decried the unjust taxation, the favoritism shown by the authorities, the monopoly of trade, and the poor defense of the colonies.

Governor Berkeley fled to lands east of the Potomac River, but his fortunes soon changed and he returned to Jamestown. Bacon then laid seige to the town, recapturing it, and burned it. Thus matters stood when Bacon died in October, 1676, and support for his "rebellion" faded away.[4] The colonists had been severely divided over support for Bacon or for the royal governor, and this division was pronounced in the outlying colony of Rappahannock County. In reprisal, Governor Berkeley seized much of the property of the rebels, and

rewarded the loyalists with huge grants of land. Some of the seized property was later returned by the courts, but 23 rebels were hung.

At this time our ancestor, (3) John Meador, was less than ten years old, and records do not reveal the details of how his step-father, Henry Awbrey, fared during these times. But it is a matter of record that Col. Thomas Goodrich and his son Benjamin were supporters of Bacon, for which they were fined 50,000 pounds of tobacco each and ordered to recant before the court with a rope about their necks. This Col. Goodrich did, but with a token cord instead of a rope, to demonstrate his contempt for the Governor's orders. Since the county court (of which Henry Awbrey was a member) permitted this display, it probably concurred.

Some support for Goodrich came from Col. Thomas Gouldman (father of Francis Gouldman, who married (3) Mary Meador). Gouldman proposed that half the debt be paid by selling to the government 50 acres of land near Hobb's Hole for the establishment of a warehouse center and shipping port. As Burgess for Rappahannock County, Gouldman used his influence in the Jamestown Assembly and the port was established. Joining in the venture also were Henry Awbrey, Col. William Loyd, and Col. William Stone. The port was called "New Plymouth," after the Puritan colony in New England, a testimony to continuing Puritan influence in the area, and was so known until 1705, when it was renamed Tappahannock in honor of the Indian village that had once stood there. It is still the county seat of Essex County. Thus, some of the families allied to the Meadors were influential in founding this city.[5]

Meanwhile, the Rappahannock Indians had fled from their villages behind the settlers on the east bank of the river to sanctuary several miles upstream. In their absence, the lands were taken up by white settlers, and the Indians could not return. Decimated and broken, though having remained peaceful during the whole affair, their cause was championed by Henry Awbrey, the senior member of the county court. Enlisting the help of about a dozen settlers, they were relocated, probably on Henry Awbrey's large grant lands, where there is a place which is still called Indian Neck. There is also a Rappahannock

Indian church at Beasley; and there are reports that traces of an Indian settlement have been found on the Meador plantation,[6] but no records have been found to this effect.

Participating in the resettlement in January, 1684 were Henry Awbrey, who served as overseer and go-between as well as furnishing his boat; Robert Tomlin, Jr., who supplied a sloop and a smaller boat; and several men including (3) John Meador. John was reimbursed by the court for 9 days service and the use of his horse.[7]

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(4) Richard Meador

Richard, the oldest son[1] of John and Elizabeth Meador, apparently was born between 1678 and 1681, as he was of sufficient age to make a legal deed in 1702.[2] Obviously, he was named for his maternal grandfather, Richard White, and followed the same occupation, that of "cooper" or maker of tobacco casks, though later he identified himself as a "planter."[3] Richard Meador is first mentioned in a deed of gift by Abraham Coombes in October, 1683.[4] In that deed, Coombes recounts that he had given a heifer to his godson (and nephew) John Meador, grandson of Ambrose Meador; but as the said John Meador had died in infancy, the gift (now two cows and two calves) was to go to the said John's sister, Mary. If she died, the gift was to go to Richard Meador, son of John Meador of Rapphannock County.

It is interesting to note that one witness to this deed of gift was Henry Awbrey, husband of Sarah Awbrey, who presumably was also Richard's grandmother, Sarah Meador, widow of (2) Thomas Meador.

Richard would have grown up on the 450-acre plantation of his father on Hoskins Creek. At the age of 18 or 20, and before July, 1698, Richard married Ann Moss, daughter of John Moss.[5] In July, 1698, Richard and Ann made bond for the faithful administration of her father's estate, of which she had been named executrix. Four years later they sold the 100 acres of land left to her by her father's will,[6] and in this deed she is identified as the daughter of John Moss.

(3) John Meador in 1694 made a deed of gift[7] to his children by his first wife in which Richard and his brother (4) John Jr. were to receive jointly all of John's tract of land on the west side of the "Great Branch," to be divided between them as (3) John saw fit. Because in the same gift John allotted to his son Hope a tract later identified as containing 150 acres, it would appear logical to expect that these older sons received at least that amount. Richard, as the oldest son, possibly received slightly more than the others.

This deed of gift made by John in 1694 contained two provisions which undoubtedly affected later disposition of the land; possibly without record being made of such disposition. The first provision was: "The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of, but to remaine from heir to heir as long as there can be found one of ye Meadors found alive." The second provision was: "If it be ye Lord's will to call any of my sons or daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to return to me again to my disposing."

Available records would indicate that by the time John made the above mentioned deed, he must have acquired a total of 1095 acres of land on Hoskins Creek. This does not include the 320-acre grant, which had been sold previously.[8] It is not clear whether John retained some of the land for himself at the time of the deed of gift; but it can be seen that if he gave each of the four sons only 150 acres apiece, and gave the daughters a total of 405 acres, some 90 acres would still remain unaccounted for. The amount of land bequeathed in the will of John Meador in 1721 is not specified; nor is there any clear-cut record of the ultimate disposal of the lands bequeathed. Nevertheless, from the will itself[9] it would appear that, of the children by John's first marriage, only Thomas, Rachel Jordan, and Elizabeth Armstrong remained alive at the time of John's death. By the provisions of the deed of gift of 1694, the lands deeded to Richard, John Jr., Hope, and Esther Bourne, should have reverted back to (3) John for his further disposition, of which we have found no record.

Nonetheless, it would appear that (4) Richard and/or his heirs received most of those lands originally deeded to Richard, as well as lands given to Hope[10] and Esther Bourne.[11] It appears possible also that in some manner Richard acquired the land originally deeded to Elizabeth Armstrong.[12] The probable amount of land involved in the referenced deed and the meager description of the tract sounds very much like the land of Elizabeth Armstrong. Yet, in view of the fact that the deed of gift specifically prohibited sale of that land to outsiders, and that both John Meador and Elizabeth Armstrong were still living when Richard and Ann sold the land to Joseph Humphrey, it would appear possible that the land involved in this deed was not that originally

allotted to Elizabeth Armstrong, but rather from the estate of John Moss, of which Ann was executrix.

Another point that should be brought out at this juncture is that under the law of primogeniture then in effect Richard, as the oldest son, was entitled to first inheritance in the property of his father, and some of the ensuing deeds seem to reflect this proprietary right.

Richard Meador was appointed Constable by the Essex County Court, but asked to be relieved of that duty in 1709.[13] In 1710 he was security for the administration of the estate of Edward Brumagen[14] and later signed the inventory.[15]

It is brought home to us how short the life span could be in those early Colonial days when it is seen that Richard was only about 35 years old when he felt the approach of death. He made his will December 12, 1715, and it was presented by his widow for probate May 15, 1716.[16] In this will he left the plantation where he lived on the south side of Hoskins Creek to hs wife, Ann. This was presumably the portion given to him by his father.

In the inventory[17] made following his death, we gain some insight into the daily life and pursuits of Richard Meador. Included was a set of "Truper's Arms," though just what armament this entailed is not specified. While every settler had a gun for self-protection against the Indians, this must have included additional items. Certainly there was a musket, cartridge box or powder horn, bullet molds, and other items. Listed also were two saddles, a parcel of books (rare for that day), a pair of silver buckles, two felt hats, some shoemaker's tools, lasts, and thread, for a total value of 63 pounds sterling. It was a modest, average amount.

In the will we learn for the first time the names of some of Richard's children, of whom there were at least two sons and two daughters. The eldest son, (5) William, was to inherit the plantation after the death of his mother. The youngest son, (5) Richard, was given the remaining 100 acres of his great-grandfather White's lands on the North side of Hoskins Creek, after the deaths of (4) Esther and her husband, William Bourne. If (5) Richard should die,

then the 100 acres was to go to his "youngest sister Addra." This daughter of (4) Richard and Ann apparently was named for her great-grandmother, Addra White. We are not privileged to learn the names of other children from this will or other records. Widow Ann married secondly to James Bradbury, and her signature as witness is found on the will of (3) John Meador in 1721 and that of John Meador, Jr. in 1720. She apparently died before 1728, and there is no will of record.

(5) William Meador

That William Meador was born before 1706-7 can be deduced from the fact that he made a legal deed in 1728.[18] This tract was part of the 450-acre grant, which had passed from (1) Thomas to (2) Thomas to (3) John to (4) Richard, then inherited by (5) William. In this deed, William sold the 150 acres which had been given to Hope Meador to Henry Reeves, Jr. It was never again owned by the Meador family.

Another 70-acre portion of the 450-acre grant was sold by William to his uncle, (4) Thomas Meador, in 1734.[19] In the deed for that transaction, the succession of ownership from William's great-grandfather, (2) Thomas Meador, is recounted, making the family lineage very clear.

William Meador married Frances Phitzsimmons, as indicated by the will of her mother, Mary Phitzsimmons, in 1756.[20] In her will Mary designated that her lands were to be divided between her two daughters, Frances Meador and Mary Faulconer, with William Meador named as executor. Mary also named two grandchildren, Rachel and Jeremiah Meador. William and Frances were first mentioned together in 1738 when they assigned their rights to the remaining 100 acres of the lands of Richard White to John Bourne.[21] That tract had been left by the will of (4) Richard to his son, (5) Richard, younger brother of William.

William Meador appears in many other court records in Essex County. He served on a jury in 1727; he was appointed Constable in 1736; and was appointed as Surveyor in 1739. Also in 1739 he witnessed the will of William Bourne,[22]

who was his uncle through marriage to his aunt, (4) Esther Meador. William appraised the estate of Mary Davis in 1741,[23] and is named on a list of those paying poll tax for the same year.[24] He is mentioned in various court actions from 1745 to 1754. He witnessed the will of his uncle (5) Thomas Meador in 1758. William Meador died in 1759. No will was recorded, but an inventory of his estate was filed December 17, 1759.[25] His property included one slave, Abram, valued at 25 pounds, for a total of 75 pounds sterling.

William's wife, Frances Phitzsimmons Meador, lived until January 2, 1770. She made no written will, but at the last moment on her deathbed called in Jane Meador, wife of (5) Reubin Meador, who took testimony as to her wishes.[26] Through this non-cupative will we learn the names of three more of the children of William and Frances Meador. Two daughters, Sary (Sarah) and Elizabeth were to divide her estate. Her "youngest son Leroy" was to receive a chest which had been his father's.

In court records beginning in 1754, there are several references to a William Meador, Senior (evidently (5) William) and to a William Meador, Junior.[27] The dates of these references would seem to indicate that William, Junior, was born before 1733. Unfortunately, because the terms Senior and Junior were frequently used for an uncle/nephew relationship as well as for father and son, the term is not definitive. It is believed that the younger William could have been the son of (5) Richard, and thus a nephew of William, as will be discussed later.

The only child of (5) William who is mentioned in other records in Essex County is (6) Leroy Meador, who in 1775 witnessed the will of his uncle, (5) Richard Meador. Leroy then enlisted in Capt. John Webb's Company of the 7th Regiment of the Virginia Colonial Line on December 29, 1776. He joined General Washington in New Jersey shortly after the battle of Trenton. However, he was taken ill, and for the next months was frequently in and out of the hospital. He was with General Washington at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania during the terrible winter of 1777-1778. The conditions were evidently too harsh for a man in his weakened state, as he was again hospitalized, and

finally discharged on February 9, 1778. It is unknown if he actually saw any combat.

(5) Richard Meador (Jr.)

Another son of (4) Richard and Ann Moss Meador was Richard Meador, Jr., who could have been born 1710-1715. His first public record was in 1738, when he sold 100 acres of the plantation once owned by his great-grandfather, Richard White, to John Bourne. This particular deed is not of record, but accompanying deeds relinquishing rights to the property by his brother (5) William[21] and by William Bourne[28] specify the relationship between the elder and younger Richard Meadors.

Richard Jr. continued to reside on the portion of the 450-acre grant lands that had been handed down through several generations. He next appears in records as the executor of the will of his brother (5) William Meador, in 1759.[29] There was a small suit for debt in 1767. His last record was that of his will. Written July 21, 1775 while he was very ill, the will was presented for probate December 18, 1775 and was proven by his executors, Robert Payne Waring and William Gatewood, and by the witnesses, Nathan Waggoner, Thomas Coleman, and Leroy Meador. Through an omission on the part of the clerk the will was not recorded, an error which was rectified at last in 1818.[30] From this will we learn that his wife was still living at that time, and that she was to inherit all his personal estate unless she remarried. In that case, it was to be divided between the two sons, (6) William and (6) Richard Meador. Son William was to inherit the plantation, and son Richard was to receive a slave named Orange and a small girl, Cate. (5) Richard's estate was appraised in 1780,[31] and listed among his property were 4 slaves, a horse, 76 cows and 4 heifers, etc., for a respectable total of 209 pounds.

While his wife was not named in the will, it can be seen later that her name was Milly when, possibly in anticipation of remarriage, she renounced all benefits and advantages due her from the will.[32] She then married James Johnston, as can be shown by later deeds for the portion of the 450-acre grant

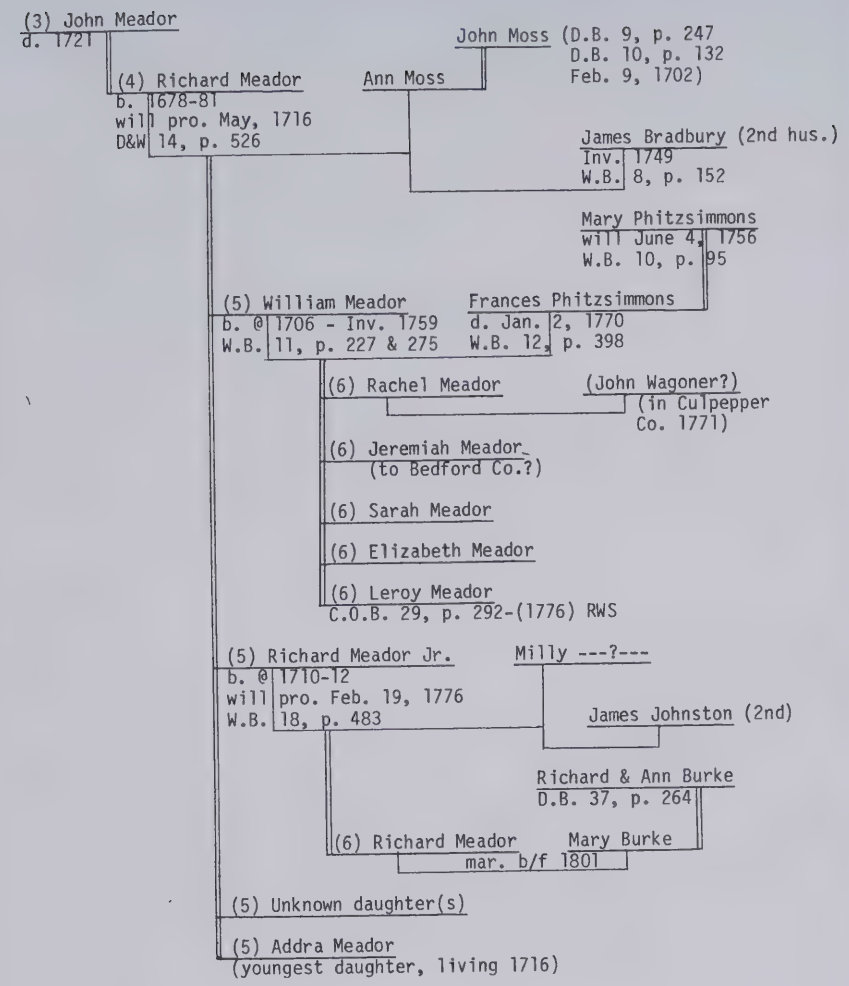
lands of which (5) Richard had died possessed. Johnston also purchased 75 acres from Vincent and Sarah Meador in 1788,[33] that probably adjoined their principal holdings. In 1796, James and Milly Johnston sold to (6) Richard Meador 50 acres on Gibson's Creek, which they had bought from James O'Neal. "The livery and seizure of the within land was given Richard Meador by James Johnston by the cutting of Turf and Twig off said land."[34]

As previously noted, there is a reference to a William Meador, Jr. in 1754,[35] who could be the son of (5) Richard Meador. However, no further mention of the name is found until 1793, when in partnership with James Johnston (his step-father) he sold 30 acres to John Dunn.[36] In the same year, William leased 18 acres to Benjamin Waggoner for his lifetime.[37] It would appear that William died without heirs before 1801, as in that year by deed James Johnston and wife Milly, Stephen Johnston, and John Games released to (6) Richard Meador all claims to a 58-acre portion of the grounds once purchased by William, and released as well as all claims to the 50-acre tract mentioned above held by (5) Richard at his death.[38]

The relationship between (5) Richard and his son (6) Richard is further established in a deed in 1801 in which (6) Richard and wife Mary sell their interest in 300 acres of which his deceased father had possessed. This he sold to James Johnston, Stephen Johnston, and John Games.[39] Both transactions of 1801 were for nominal amounts, showing a family relationship. Possibly the Stephen Johnston was a son of James and Milly, or a son of James by a prior marriage. The relationship of John Games is unknown.

In a division and sale of the property of Richard Burke in 1807,[40] it is found that the wife of (6) Richard Meador was Mary Burke, and that she was a daughter of Richard and Ann Burke. Her inheritance of 165 1/8 acres was sold to (6) Thomas Barton.[41] No further research on this family has been made.

(4) Richard Meador



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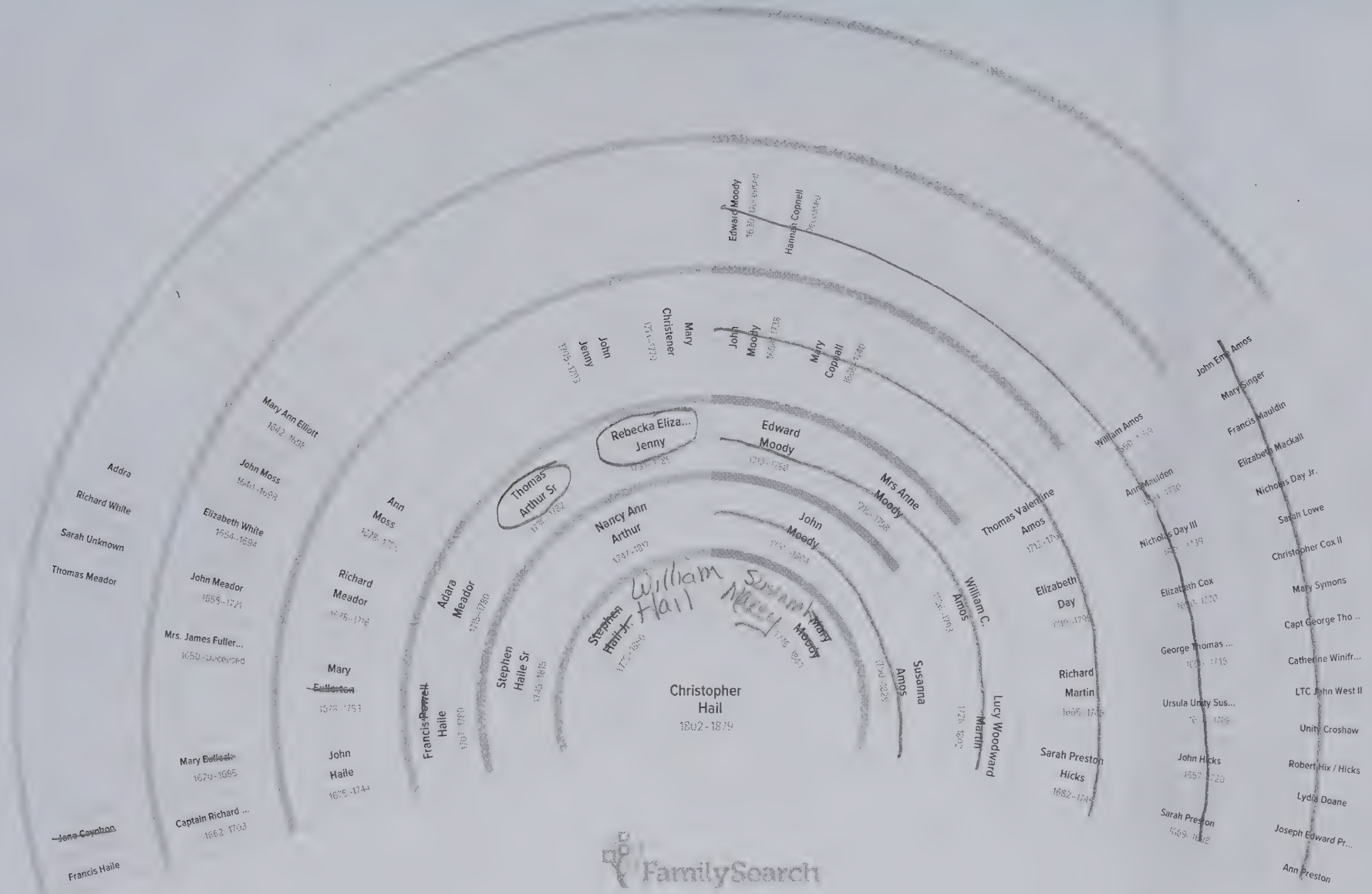

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Adara Meador
1735 - 1780

Thomas Arthur Sr
1746 - 1792

Rebecka Elizabeth Jenny
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John Jenny
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Mary Fullerton
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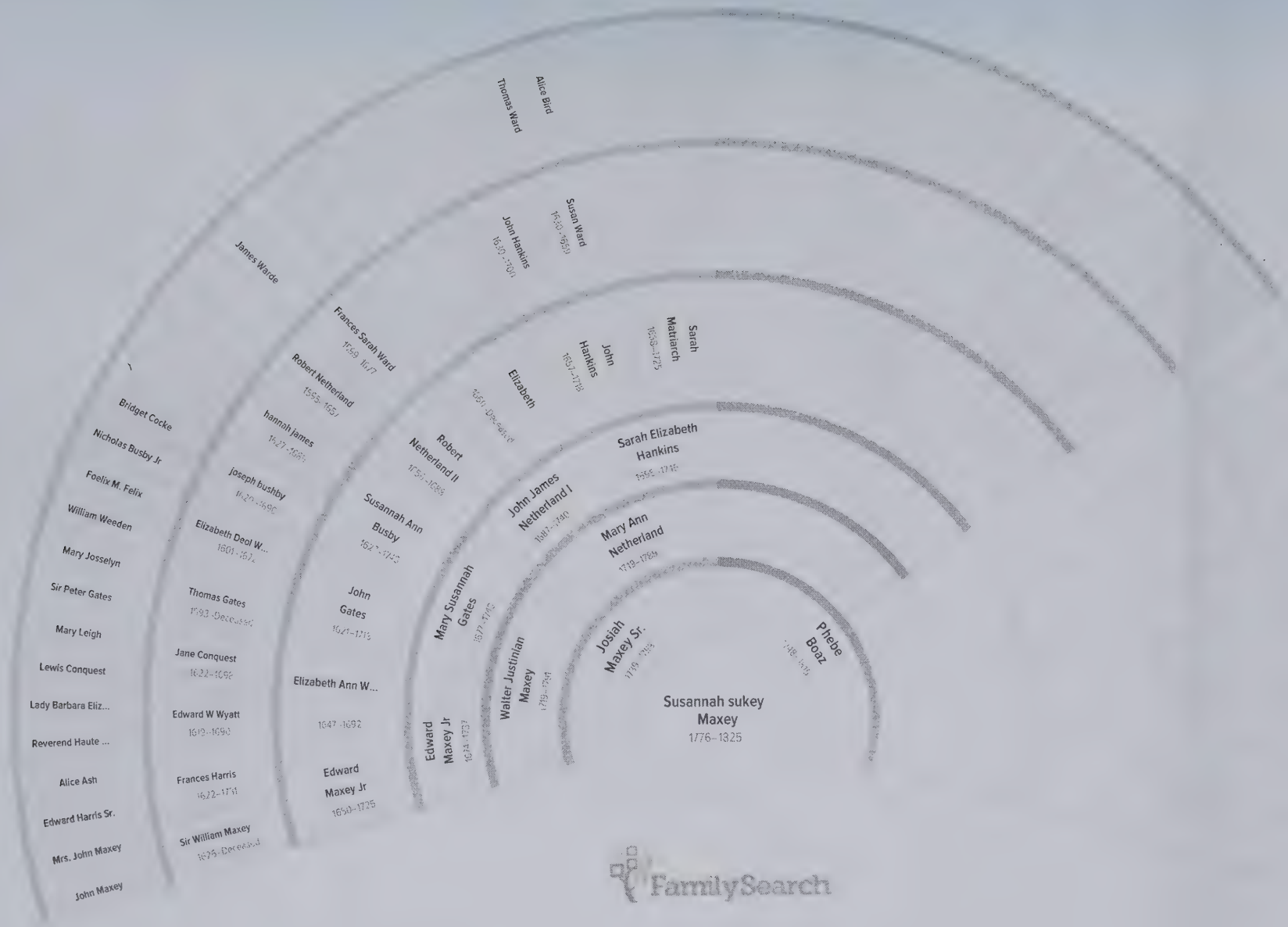

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Richard Meador

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♂ 1678 - 1716 (38 years)

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Father	John Meador, **b.** 1658, Charles Parish, York County, Virginia, **d.** 21 Nov 1721, Essex County, Virginia - Probate (Age 63 years)
Mother	Elizabeth White, **b.** 1659, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia, **d.** 17 Aug 1694, Sittenbourne Parish, Essex County, Virginia (Age 35 years)
Married	Sittenbourne Parish, Essex County, Virginia
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Notes	(Source: Some Early Southern Settlers by Billie Lewis, 134.)	
Children	1. William Meador, **b.** South Farnham Parish, Essex County, Virginia, **d.** Aft 1728, South Farnham Parish, Essex County, Virginia 2. Adara Meador, **b.** Abt 1712, South Farnham Parish, Essex County, Virginia	
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liveing...
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page 526. Will of Richard Meador of So. Farn. Par., Essex Co. Dated 12 Dec. 1715. Prob. 15 May 1716.
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To younger son Richard the land where William Borne now lives "that is to say after the sd William and hester his wife Decease the sd Land being fformerly In the possession of my Grandfather". If he d.s.p. then to "my youngest Daughter Addra". Following the word Grandfather is a word that may be either the surname White of the word white. It makes perfect sense either way.
To "my Brother John Meador my pistoles and houlsters".
Wife exor.
Signed Richard Meador
Wit:
Erasmus Allen
Thomas x Duden

Proved by oath of Anne Meader widow, Extrx therein named.

page 527. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 100. Sterl. Anne Medors, Estrs., of Est. of Richard Medors, decd.
Signed
Anne x meadors
Jno Pickett
Wm Pickett
Wit:
Ralph Gough
Rec. 15 Mary 1715.

Source:
Fleet, Beverley,
Essex County wills and deeds, 1714-1717
Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. County, 1961, 127 pgs.
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Contributed by: James Hughes

URL: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~janet/Meador.html
URL title: Janet's Genealogy
Note:
Adara MEADOR (Richard MEADOR, John, Thomas "Orphan", Thomas Meades, Father) was born about 1712. She died after 1716 . Adara married Francis HALE, son of John HALE and Mary FULLERTON. Francis was born about 1704 in VA. He died before 1780 in Bedford County, Virginia.
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1701-1704 Essex Co VA Order Book; Antient Press: (Page 132)
THIS INDENTURE made the 9 day of February in the first yeare of the Reigne of or: Soveraigne Lady Ann by the Grace of God &c, and in the yeare of or: Lord One thousand seaven hundred & two Betweene RICHARD MEADERS of the Parish of Farnham in the County of Essex wthin: the Colony of Virginia, Cooper, & ANNE his Wife, one of the Daughters of JOHN MOSS, late of the Parish County & Colony aforesd., of the one part & WILLIAM COX of the Parish County & Colony aforesd,, Planter, of the other part Witnesseth that for diverse other good causes & valuable considerations them the said RI: MEADERS & ANNE his Wife moveing but more especially for the whole sume of Two thousand pounds of good sweete scented tobo: & caske truely paid by the said WILLIAM COX, they the said RICHD. MEADERS & ANNE his Wife doe sell unto the sd WILLIAM COX his heires & assignes forever all that p:cell of land bounded as followeth (vizt.) lying on the West side of a branch called ye POPULAR BRANCH as already laid out from the heades the sd branch to the back line and soe adjoyning upon the Division Line of JNO: HARPER which said land is part of a tract of land that the said MOSS bought of JOHN & HENRY BOUGHAN by a certain Deed of Sale bearing date the 2d day of April! 1684 and acknowledged in RAPPAHANOCK County Court which said land containes by Estimacon One hundred acres together with all & singular houses & structures, gardens orchards & appurtenances whatsoever to sd parcell of land belonging, To have & to hold unto the said WILLIAM COX his heires & assignes forever, And the said RICHARD MEADERS & ANNE his Wife for themselves & their heires the said Tract of land will warrant & forever defend & doe promise with the said WILL: COX his heires and assignes that he will at all times forever hereafter lawfully & quietly have and enjoy the sd land & the pr:misses without any trouble of the said RICHARD MEADERS

& ANNE his Wife And further do promise upon ye reasonable request of & at the proper costs in the Law acknowledge all further acts in the Law for the further & absolute conveying of all the before granted pr:misses as by sd WM. COX his heires or assignes or their Councell learned in the Law shall require In Witness whereof the parties their hands & seales have sett Signed sealed & delivered in the pr:sence of us
HENRY KEARBY, RICHARD MEADOR
JOHN PICEETT ANN MEADOR
Acknowledged by RICHD, MEADOR & ANN his Wife (the sd ANN being examined according to Law) at a Court held for Essex County ye 10th day of Febry: 1702 & truely recorded

Janet Ariciu family Bush

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RICHARD MEADORS 1678 -1716 ---- ANNE PICKETT MOSS NOTE: AN
N MOSS MEADOR MARRIED JOHN BRYSON AFTER THE DEATH OF HER HUSBAND
RICHARD MEADOWS. Richard Meador md. Ann Moss (daughter of John and Mary Moss, sometimes spelled Mess in the records) In his will dated Dec. 12, 1715, witnessed by Erasmus Allen and Thomas Duden, Richard bequeaths his loving wife the plantation where he lives and after her decease to his eldest son William.To his younger son Richard all the land formerly that of his Grandfather White. If Richard died without legal heirs, the land was to go to youngest daughter Addra. There was also a bequestto his brother John and his wife was made sole executor.May 15, 1716 William Pickett and John Pickett were security for Ann's administration of Richard's estate.Later court orders reveal that Ann married secondly John Bryson.Unfortunately, some of the records show the name Elizabeth rather than Ann. The fact remains that Ann(Moss) was the wife of Richard Meador and was named sole executor; and that John Bryson and his wife Ann/Elizabeth are later named in the records as executors of the estate of Richard Meador. John Bryson could not have become executor of Richard's estate any other way. There is a will recorded in Orange County, VA for a John Bryson of St. Thomas Parish. It was dated Nov. 13, 1755 and mentions son John, daughter Mary Hackett. Beloved wife Ann Bryson and son John Bryson are named executors. The will, however, was not proved until October 25, 1770, which seems to be rather late for the John Bryson in Essex Co. Ann was not mentioned when the will was recorded, so it is assumed she was deceased. John Bryson Jr went to Surrey Co., NC. >From Essex County Records, Deed Book #12, pg. 88: A deed dated May 10, 1705 records, the sale of 100 acres of land "adjacent to land formerly owned by Anthon. North, land of John Waggener," being sold to Joseph Humphrey by Richard and Ann Meadors "of Farnham." (North is noted in the 1690 deed above). The sold parcel is described as "100 acres, a neck of land on N side of Hoskins Poroson called second Neck 5. WILLIAM MEADORS 1708 -----FRANCES PHITZSIMMONS
6. ELIZABETH MEADORS ---- JOHN WAGGONER
>From Tyler's Quarterly Virginia Families, Vol. 2: In Old Rappahannock Rec. 1663-68, p. 34, John Waggener witnessed a deed from Thomas Goodrich, dated July 7, 1666, and on January 20, 1668/69 (Old Rappahannock Rec. 1668-72, p. 73) he purchased land.

****** From Old Rappahannock Records 1668-1672. A land conveyance in Essex County, dated January 22, 1668; John R. Waggener bought land from Andrew and Ann A. Herbert
****** From "Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Patents and Grants," Nugent Vol. 2, 1666-1695, pub. Virginia State Library, Richmond, VA 1977, p. 116: " Col. Tho. Gutteridge, 4626 acs., Rappa. Co., on S. side sd. River; 4 Oct. 1672, p. 424. 2876 acs. granted him 24 Oct. 1669; 1200 acs. granted Thomas Goldman, 4 April. 1667, & sould to sd. Gutteridge; 550 acres., adj. this & land of Graves; & Mr. Beverley; by Rappa. Indian Path neer the Pocoson; &c; due for trans. of 93 pers: Rchd. Hall, Robt. Rite, Geo. Flint, Elizabeth Baker, Jno. Wagoner, ___ Morgan & his wife, Robt. Shereman, Wm. Peeters, ____ Marsy, Jno. Collins." (the others were not named)
****** In 1670, as John Waggener "tailor" he leased from Richard White and Audrey his wife for 99 years 130 acres, the consideration being 2,600 lbs. Tob. and "one valuable pair of gloves to her the said Aubrey in hand paid". with a yearly rent of one capon.
***** From Essex County Clerk of Court Files, Deed Book #1, p. 175: Dated October 10, 1677; John Waggener is fined for failing to appear for Jury of Inquest.
****** Rappahannock Orders Book, #1, pg. 5 & Book L, pg. 191: On August 1, 1684 John is ordered to serve jury duty in Old Rappahonnock, and again in 1690.
****** From Essex County Clerk of Court Files, Deed Book #8, pgs. 233-234: Dated September 11, 1690; "Anthony North of Rappa leases to John Wagoner a certain tract of land in Southfarnham as described for 99 years, payment due yearly on the day of the "feast of St. Michael the Arch Angell and year of Judiah borne if demanded."
****** On the Virginia Quit Rent Rolls for Essex County, dated 1704, "John Wagener" is listed as having paid rent (taxes) on 400 acres.
****** From Essex County Records, Deed Book #12, pg. 88: A deed dated May 10, 1705 records, the sale of 100 acres of land "adjacent to land formerly owned by Anthon. North, land of John Waggener," being sold to Joseph Humphrey by Richard and Ann Meadors "of Farnham." (North is noted in the 1690 deed above). The sold parcel is described as "100 acres, a neck of land on N side of Hoskins Poroson called second Neck."

John Bryson married Ann Moss Meador between 1717 and 1720 in Essex Co, VA. Ann was a daughter of John Moss (d ca 1697) and Ann --- Moss. Ann Moss (dau of John) married first to Richard Meador who died in 1716 in Essex Co, VA. (Thanks to Jean Suddarth for this data about the Moss and Meador families).
http://www.martygrant.com/gen/bryson/brysonva/bryson-john-va.htm

According to Jean's research, the widow Ann Moss Meador was sole executor of Richard Meador's estate. Within a few years of his death, she was taken to court by her son William Meador over the estate, in these records she was listed jointly with husband "John Bryson", and in three cases was listed as "Elizabeth" and once as "Ann", possibly indicating her full name was "Elizabeth Ann".

John Bryson made his Will on 13 Nov 1755 in Orange Co, VA. It was not recorded until 25 Oct 1770. He named his wife Ann, his son John Bryson, his daughter Mary Hackett. He named his wife Ann and son John as his Executors. Witnesses were W. Bell, Mathew Davis and Elexr. Steward. (Orange Co, VA Will Book 2 page 424).

John Bryson and Ann Moss had 2 children together, and it seems that Ann had several from her previous marriage to Richard Meador. I have not attempted to trace the Meador children (William, Richard and Adara per Jean Suddarth's research). John and Ann's 2 children were named in his Will of 1755. John (Jr) was also listed in a family bible record as a son of "John Bryson and Anne his wife".

Father: John Moss

Marriage 1 Richard Meador b: 1678-1679 in Old Rappahannock , Virginia

- *Married:* Jul 1698 in , , Virginia
- *Note:*

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  OUR MEADOR FAMILIES IN COLONIAL AMERICA Victor Paul Meador and Bernal M. Meador Richard would have grown up on the 450-acre plantation of his father on Hoskins Creek. At the age of 18 or 20, and before July, 1698, Richard married Ann Moss, daughter of John Moss . In July. 1698, Richard and Ann made bond for the faithful administration of her father's estate, of which she had been named executrix. Four years later they sold the 100 acres of land left to her by her father's will, and in this deed she is identified as the daughter of John Moss.

- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. William Meador b: Abt 1710 in Essex, Virginia
2. Richard Meador b: 1711 in Essex, Virginia
3. Adara Meador b: 1712 in Essex, Virginia
4. Esther Meador b: Aft 1713 in Essex, Virginia

Marriage 2 John Bryson

- *Married:* Bet 1717 and 1720 in , Essex, Virginia
- *Note:*

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  Court record of .....Ann Moss that Married Richard - John's other Daughter in law married John Bryson lots of court documents to verify her.

- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. John Bryson b: Abt 1720 in , Orange, Virginia
2. Mary Bryson b: 1722 in , Orange, Virginia

(4) Richard Meador

Richard, the oldest son[1] of John and Elizabeth Meador, apparently was born between 1678 and 1681, as he was of sufficient age to make a legal deed in 1702.[2] Obviously, he was named for his maternal grandfather, Richard White, and followed the same occupation, that of "cooper" or maker of tobacco casks, though later he identified himself as a "planter."[3] Richard Meador is first mentioned in a deed of gift by Abraham Coombes in October, 1683.[4] In that deed, Coombes recounts that he had given a heifer to his godson (and nephew) John Meador, grandson of Ambrose Meador; but as the said John Meador had died in infancy, the gift (now two cows and two calves) was to go to the said John's sister, Mary. If she died, the gift was to go to Richard Meador, son of John Meador of Rapphannock County.

It is interesting to note that one witness to this deed of gift was Henry Awbrey, husband of Sarah Awbrey, who presumably was also Richard's grandmother, Sarah Meador, widow of (2) Thomas Meador.

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(3) John Meador in 1694 made a deed of gift[7] to his children by his first wife in which Richard and his brother (4) John Jr. were to receive jointly all of John's tract of land on the west side of the "Great Branch," to be divided between them as (3) John saw fit. Because in the same gift John allotted to his son Hope a tract later identified as containing 150 acres, it would appear logical to expect that these older sons received at least that amount. Richard, as the oldest son, possibly received slightly more than the others.

This deed of gift made by John in 1694 contained two provisions which undoubtedly affected later disposition of the land; possibly without record being made of such disposition. The first provision was: "The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of, but to remaine from heir to heir as long as there can be found one of ye Meadors found alive." The second provision was: "If it be ye Lord's will to call any of my sons or daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to return to me again to my disposing."

Available records would indicate that by the time John made the above mentioned deed, he must have acquired a total of 1095 acres of land on Hoskins Creek. This does not include the 320-acre grant, which had been sold previously.[8] It is not clear whether John retained some of the land for himself at the time of the deed of gift; but it can be seen that if he gave each of the four sons only 150 acres apiece, and gave the daughters a total of 405 acres, some 90 acres would still remain unaccounted for. The amount of land bequeathed in the will of John Meador in 1721 is not specified; nor is there any clear-cut record of the ultimate disposal of the lands bequeathed. Nevertheless, from the will itself[9] it would appear that, of the children by John's first marriage, only Thomas, Rachel Jordan, and Elizabeth Armstrong remained alive at the time of John's death. By the provisions of the deed of gift of 1694, the lands deeded to Richard, John Jr., Hope, and Esther Bourne, should have reverted back to (3) John for his further disposition, of which we have found no record.

Nonetheless, it would appear that (4) Richard and/or his heirs received most of those lands originally deeded to Richard, as well as lands given to Hope[10] and Esther Bourne.[11] It appears possible also that in some manner Richard acquired the land originally deeded to Elizabeth Armstrong.[12] The probable amount of land involved in the referenced deed and the meager description of the tract sounds very much like the land of Elizabeth Armstrong. Yet, in view of the fact that the deed of gift specifically prohibited sale of that land to outsiders, and that both John Meador and Elizabeth Armstrong were still living when Richard and Ann sold the land to Joseph Humphrey, it would appear possible that the land involved in this deed was not that originally

allotted to Elizabeth Armstrong, but rather from the estate of John Moss, of which Ann was executrix.

Another point that should be brought out at this juncture is that under the law of primogeniture then in effect Richard, as the oldest son, was entitled to first inheritance in the property of his father, and some of the ensuing deeds seem to reflect this proprietary right.

Richard Meador was appointed Constable by the Essex County Court, but asked to be relieved of that duty in 1709.[13] In 1710 he was security for the administration of the estate of Edward Brumagen[14] and later signed the inventory.[15]

It is brought home to us how short the life span could be in those early Colonial days when it is seen that Richard was only about 35 years old when he felt the approach of death. He made his will December 12, 1715, and it was presented by his widow for probate May 15, 1716.[16] In this will he left the plantation where he lived on the south side of Hoskins Creek to hs wife, Ann. This was presumably the portion given to him by his father.

In the inventory[17] made following his death, we gain some insight into the daily life and pursuits of Richard Meador. Included was a set of "Truper's Arms," though just what armament this entailed is not specified. While every settler had a gun for self-protection against the Indians, this must have included additional items. Certainly there was a musket, cartridge box or powder horn, bullet molds, and other items. Listed also were two saddles, a parcel of books (rare for that day), a pair of silver buckles, two felt hats, some shoemaker's tools, lasts, and thread, for a total value of 63 pounds sterling. It was a modest, average amount.

In the will we learn for the first time the names of some of Richard's children, of whom there were at least two sons and two daughters. The eldest son, (5) William, was to inherit the plantation after the death of his mother. The youngest son, (5) Richard, was given the remaining 100 acres of his great-grandfather White's lands on the North side of Hoskins Creek, after the deaths of (4) Esther and her husband, William Bourne. If (5) Richard should die,

then the 100 acres was to go to his "youngest sister Addra." This daughter of (4) Richard and Ann apparently was named for her great-grandmother, Addra White. We are not privileged to learn the names of other children from this will or other records. Widow Ann married secondly to James Bradbury, and her signature as witness is found on the will of (3) John Meador in 1721 and that of John Meador, Jr. in 1720. She apparently died before 1728, and there is no will of record.

(5) William Meador

That William Meador was born before 1706-7 can be deduced from the fact that he made a legal deed in 1728.[18] This tract was part of the 450-acre grant, which had passed from (1) Thomas to (2) Thomas to (3) John to (4) Richard, then inherited by (5) William. In this deed, William sold the 150 acres which had been given to Hope Meador to Henry Reeves, Jr. It was never again owned by the Meador family.

Another 70-acre portion of the 450-acre grant was sold by William to his uncle, (4) Thomas Meador, in 1734.[19] In the deed for that transaction, the succession of ownership from William's great-grandfather, (2) Thomas Meador, is recounted, making the family lineage very clear.

William Meador married Frances Phitzsimmons, as indicated by the will of her mother, Mary Phitzsimmons, in 1756.[20] In her will Mary designated that her lands were to be divided between her two daughters, Frances Meador and Mary Faulconer, with William Meador named as executor. Mary also named two grandchildren, Rachel and Jeremiah Meador. William and Frances were first mentioned together in 1738 when they assigned their rights to the remaining 100 acres of the lands of Richard White to John Bourne.[21] That tract had been left by the will of (4) Richard to his son, (5) Richard, younger brother of William.

William Meador appears in many other court records in Essex County. He served on a jury in 1727; he was appointed Constable in 1736; and was appointed as Surveyor in 1739. Also in 1739 he witnessed the will of William Bourne,[22]

who was his uncle through marriage to his aunt, (4) Esther Meador. William appraised the estate of Mary Davis in 1741,[23] and is named on a list of those paying poll tax for the same year.[24] He is mentioned in various court actions from 1745 to 1754. He witnessed the will of his uncle (5) Thomas Meador in 1758. William Meador died in 1759. No will was recorded, but an inventory of his estate was filed December 17, 1759.[25] His property included one slave, Abram, valued at 25 pounds, for a total of 75 pounds sterling.

William's wife, Frances Phitzsimmons Meador, lived until January 2, 1770. She made no written will, but at the last moment on her deathbed called in Jane Meador, wife of (5) Reubin Meador, who took testimony as to her wishes.[26] Through this non-cupative will we learn the names of three more of the children of William and Frances Meador. Two daughters, Sary (Sarah) and Elizabeth were to divide her estate. Her "youngest son Leroy" was to receive a chest which had been his father's.

In court records beginning in 1754, there are several references to a William Meador, Senior (evidently (5) William) and to a William Meador, Junior.[27] The dates of these references would seem to indicate that William, Junior, was born before 1733. Unfortunately, because the terms Senior and Junior were frequently used for an uncle/nephew relationship as well as for father and son, the term is not definitive. It is believed that the younger William could have been the son of (5) Richard, and thus a nephew of William, as will be discussed later.

The only child of (5) William who is mentioned in other records in Essex County is (6) Leroy Meador, who in 1775 witnessed the will of his uncle, (5) Richard Meador. Leroy then enlisted in Capt. John Webb's Company of the 7th Regiment of the Virginia Colonial Line on December 29, 1776. He joined General Washington in New Jersey shortly after the battle of Trenton. However, he was taken ill, and for the next months was frequently in and out of the hospital. He was with General Washington at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania during the terrible winter of 1777-1778. The conditions were evidently too harsh for a man in his weakened state, as he was again hospitalized, and

finally discharged on February 9, 1778. It is unknown if he actually saw any combat.

(5) Richard Meador (Jr.)

Another son of (4) Richard and Ann Moss Meador was Richard Meador, Jr., who could have been born 1710-1715. His first public record was in 1738, when he sold 100 acres of the plantation once owned by his great-grandfather, Richard White, to John Bourne. This particular deed is not of record, but accompanying deeds relinquishing rights to the property by his brother (5) William[21] and by William Bourne[28] specify the relationship between the elder and younger Richard Meadors.

Richard Jr. continued to reside on the portion of the 450-acre grant lands that had been handed down through several generations. He next appears in records as the executor of the will of his brother (5) William Meador, in 1759.[29] There was a small suit for debt in 1767. His last record was that of his will. Written July 21, 1775 while he was very ill, the will was presented for probate December 18, 1775 and was proven by his executors, Robert Payne Waring and William Gatewood, and by the witnesses, Nathan Waggoner, Thomas Coleman, and Leroy Meador. Through an omission on the part of the clerk the will was not recorded, an error which was rectified at last in 1818.[30] From this will we learn that his wife was still living at that time, and that she was to inherit all his personal estate unless she remarried. In that case, it was to be divided between the two sons, (6) William and (6) Richard Meador. Son William was to inherit the plantation, and son Richard was to receive a slave named Orange and a small girl, Cate. (5) Richard's estate was appraised in 1780,[31] and listed among his property were 4 slaves, a horse, 76 cows and 4 heifers, etc., for a respectable total of 209 pounds.

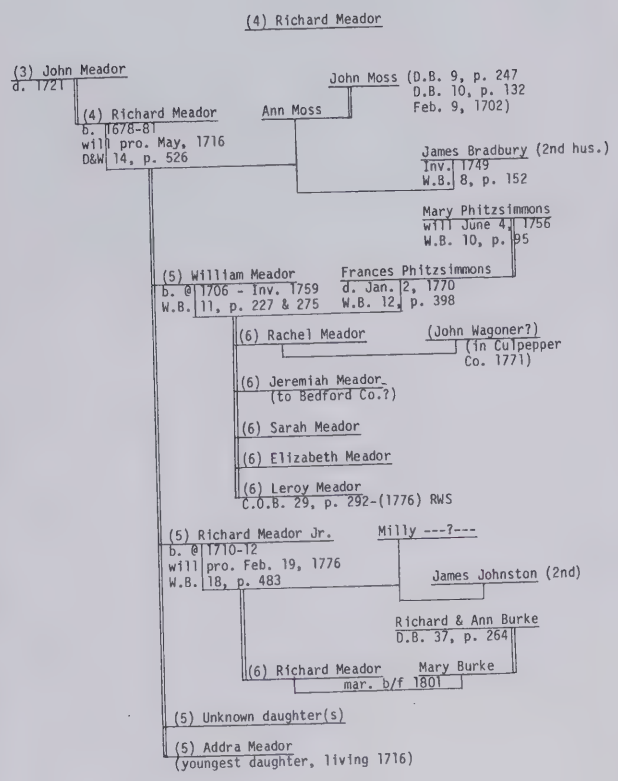
While his wife was not named in the will, it can be seen later that her name was Milly when, possibly in anticipation of remarriage, she renounced all benefits and advantages due her from the will.[32] She then married James Johnston, as can be shown by later deeds for the portion of the 450-acre grant

lands of which (5) Richard had died possessed. Johnston also purchased 75 acres from Vincent and Sarah Meador in 1788,[33] that probably adjoined their principal holdings. In 1796, James and Milly Johnston sold to (6) Richard Meador 50 acres on Gibson's Creek, which they had bought from James O'Neal. "The livery and seizure of the within land was given Richard Meador by James Johnston by the cutting of Turf and Twig off said land."[34]

As previously noted, there is a reference to a William Meador, Jr. in 1754,[35] who could be the son of (5) Richard Meador. However, no further mention of the name is found until 1793, when in partnership with James Johnston (his step-father) he sold 30 acres to John Dunn.[36] In the same year, William leased 18 acres to Benjamin Waggoner for his lifetime.[37] It would appear that William died without heirs before 1801, as in that year by deed James Johnston and wife Milly, Stephen Johnston, and John Games released to (6) Richard Meador all claims to a 58-acre portion of the grounds once purchased by William, and released as well as all claims to the 50-acre tract mentioned above held by (5) Richard at his death.[38]

The relationship between (5) Richard and his son (6) Richard is further established in a deed in 1801 in which (6) Richard and wife Mary sell their interest in 300 acres of which his deceased father had possessed. This he sold to James Johnston, Stephen Johnston, and John Games.[39] Both transactions of 1801 were for nominal amounts, showing a family relationship. Possibly the Stephen Johnston was a son of James and Milly, or a son of James by a prior marriage. The relationship of John Games is unknown.

In a division and sale of the property of Richard Burke in 1807,[40] it is found that the wife of (6) Richard Meador was Mary Burke, and that she was a daughter of Richard and Ann Burke. Her inheritance of 165 1/8 acres was sold to (6) Thomas Barton.[41] No further research on this family has been made.



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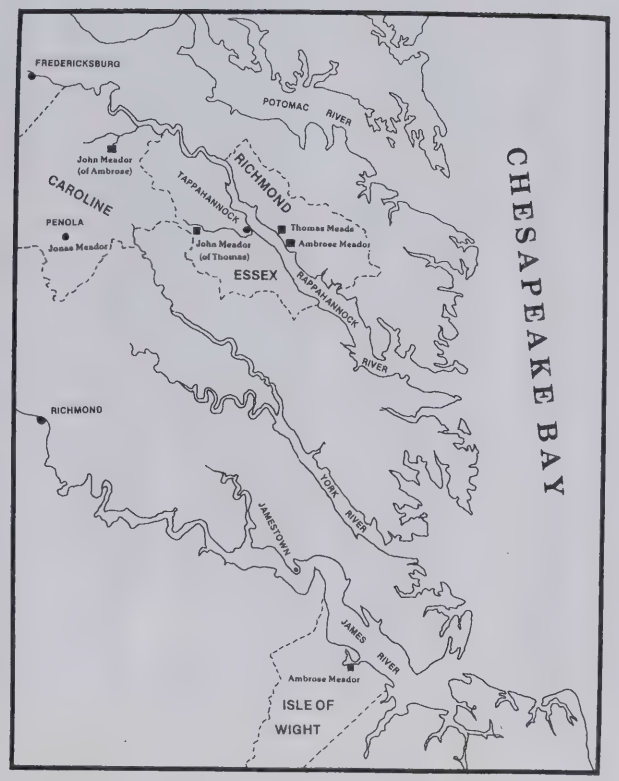

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Our MEADOR FAMILIES in COLONIAL AMERICA

As found in the records of
Isle of Wight, Lancaster,
(Old) Rappahannock, Richmond,
Essex and Caroline Counties, Virginia.

Victor P. Meador

by

Victor P. Meador

Bernal M. Meador

- Attachmt. is hereon granted ye sd Sheriff returnable &c.
- Maj. PETER BEVERLEY &c. vs THO: HUCKLESCOTT, order agt. ye late Sheriff according to Declaracon, unless &c.
- Attachmt. hereon granted to ye sd Sheriff returnable &c.
- PAUL MICOU vs HENRY GORE dismist for want of prosecution
- Its ordered that ye Sheriff of this County or his Deputy Summon RICHD. MEADERS & ANN his Wife, Surviving Exx. of JNO. MOSS to appear at ye next Court to give Bond for ye Probate of ye sd deceds Will
- Judgmt: is granted to EDWARD ADCOCKE agt. JNO. SUGGITT for Forty Shill., & one hundred & seventy four pds. of Tobo: due on Ballance of a Bill dated ye 22nd 9ber 1697 to be paid with costs of suit als Exo.
- JNO. PICKET vs. JEFFRY DYER dismist for want of prosecution
- Also JEFFRY DYER vs JNO. PICKET
- Also WM. FOSSETT vs WM. TUNSTALL
- Also JAMES BOUGHAN, Exr. of GEORGE PARKE, vs. JOS: REEVES

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112 - Also JNO. BROOKS vs GEO: TURNER
- WM. JOHNSON & DANL. WHITEHORNE Church Wardens of South Farnham Parish vs THO: HUCKLESCOTT, order agt ye late Sheriff according to Declaracon, unless &c.
- WM. JOHNSON, Exr. of WM. CONSTANTINE, vs JA: BOUGHAN, Exr. of JNO. BOUGHAN dismist for want of prosecution
- WM. JOHNSON, Exr. of WM. CONSTANTINE vs WM. PRICE, order agt late Sheriff for 1500 pds. of sweet sented Tobo & Caske according to verdt. unless &c.
- Attachmt. hereon granted to ye sd Sheriff returnable &c.
- The suit between JNO. TWIGGER & RANDALL BIRD is referred to ye next Court at ye Plts. request
- Capt. RICHD. HAILE not prosecuting his suit agt. Mrs. DOROTHY GOULDMAN, Exx. of RICHD. AWBREY deced, is non suited & ordered to pay damage acording to Law with costs als Exo.
- JEFFRY DYER vs JNO. PICKET dismit for want of prosecution
- Its ordered that THOMAS COVINGTON, WM. COVINGTON, THO: HAYWARTON & THOS: WATKINS or any three of them (ye same day Mr. ABRA: BROADLEYs Estate is appraised) being first sworn, appraise ye Estate of JNO. DICKS returned attached for satisfacon of a Debt due from ye sd DICKS to ROBT. COLEMAN & report ye same to ye next Court
- Its ordered that THO: COVINGTON, WM. COVINGTON, THO: HAYWARTON & THO: WATKINS or any three of them (ye same day Mr. ABRA: BROADLEYs Estate is appraised) being first sworne, appraise ye Estate of JNO. DICKS returned attached for satisfacon of a Debt due from ye sd DICKS to WM. COX & report ye same to ye next Court
- WM. FOX vs WM. TOMLIN, ordr: agt. ye late Sheriff for 1500 pds. of sweet sented Tobo: & caske unless &c., ye Plt. haveing made Oath to his Debt
- JOSHUA YOUNGE vs Capt. WM. MOSELEY dismt. for wt. of prosecution
- Mr. WM. FOX acknowledged Capt. ARTHUR SPICER his Attorney agt. WM. TOMLIN, wch is ordered to be recorded

p. Essex County Court 13th of July 1698
113 - Judgmt. is granted to JNO. SADLER agt ROBT. COLEMAN for 1482 pds. of Tobo: in caske due on Ballace of a Note accepted by ye sd COLEMAN from JOSHUA YOUNGE payable to ye sd SADLER, wch: is ordered to be pd. with costs of suit als Exo.

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119 - Also agt Mr. DANIEL DOBYNS

- Its ordered that Mr. JNO. DAINGERFIELD, Mr. ROBT. COLEMAN, Mr. ROBERT MILLS & Mr. HENRY REEVES or any three of them some time between this & ye next Court meet at ye House of JOS: REEVES & (being first sworne before Mr. THO: EDMONDSON, who is requested to be there in order thereto) Inventory & appraise ye Estate of JOS: CLARKE deced, & that the sd JOS: REEVES present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath

- Its ordered that the same appraisers that appraise ye Estate of JOS: CLARKE deced and ye same day (being first sworne) meet at ye House of ELIZ: REEVES & appraise ye Estate of JAMES STOREY deced, & that the sd REEVES present ye same to ye next Court

- Capt. EDWARD MOSELEY acknowledged a Deed of Sale of a parcell of land to ABRA: STEPP, wch: is ordered to be recorded

- ELIZ: MOSELEY, Wife of ye above named Capt. EDWD. MOSELEY, relinquished her right of Dower of in & to ye abovesd. Land, wch: is also ordered to be recorded

- JNO. SUGGET & WM. AYRES &c. not appearing to give security for admcon. of AGATHA SMITH's Estate according to ye last Courts order, ye sd Order is reversed

- The Last Will of JAMES HOLLOWAY was prov'd by ye Oaths of ye witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded, & admcon. with ye Will annexed granted to JUDITH, his Widow, giveing security according to Law

- Its ordered that ye same appraisers (wch: are appointed to appraise ye Estate of PETER HYMAN) upon Oath inventory & aoppraise ye Estate of JAMES HOLLOWAY deced, And that JUDITH HOLLOWAY, Admx. of ye sd deceds Estate with ye Will annexed) present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath

- The suit between Majr. PETER BEVERLEY, Guardian of XPHER BEVERLEY, Plt. & THO: HUCKLESCOTT Defendt. is referr'd to ye next Court by consent of ye Defendt.

- Its ordered that FRA: BROWNE, JNO. FARGUSON, JAMES FULLERTON & DANL. BROWNE or any three of them some time between this & ye next Court meet at ye House of JNO. MOSS deced (being first sworn before Mr. THO: EDMONDSON, who is requested to be there in order thereto) Inventory

p. Essex County Court 23d of September 1698
120 & appraise ye sd deceds Estate and that RICHD. MEADERS & ANN his Wife present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath

- An Imparlance is granted to THO: HUCKLESCOTT at ye suit of WM. JOHNSON & DANLL. WHITEHORNE, Church Wardens of South Farnham Pish, till ye next Court

- The last Courts order granted to Mr. WM. JOHNSON, Exr. of WILLIAM CONSTANTINE agt. Capt. EDWD. THOMAS, late Sheriff, for Fifteen hundred pds. of sweet sented Tobo: & caske & costs is continued to ye next Court

- The Attachmt. granted ye last Court to Capt. EDWD. THOMAS, late Sheriff, agt. WM. PRICE for 1500 pds. of sweet sented Tobo: & caske & costs for ye sd PRICEs non appearance at ye suit of WM. JOHNSON, Exr. of WM. CONSTANTINE, is continued returnable to ye next Court

- The suit between JNO. TWIGGER & RANDALL BIRD is dismist for want of prosecution

- WM. FOX vs WM. TOMLIN, is dismist for want of prosecution

- Its ordered that ye Sheriff or his Deputy summons DAVID HOLT to appear at ye next Court to present an Inventory of ROBT. HOLTs Estate upon Oath, wch: is ordered to be recorded

- WM. COLE, Surviving Son & heir of JNO. COLE deced, who marryed ANN, one of ye Daughters & coheirs of WM. GANTLET deced vs ELIZ: BROADLEY in a Pla of Trespass

- RICHD. MEADERS & ANN his Wife, Exx. of JNO. MOSS deced, presented ye Inventory & appraismt. of ye sd deceds Estate upon Oath wch: is ordered to be recorded

- The suit between WM. JOHNSON & DANL. WHITEHORNE, Church Wardens of South Farnham Parish & THO: HUCKLESCOTT is dismist for

p. Essex County Court 11th of November 1698
130 ye Declaracon not being timely entered

- Ordered that WM. JOHNSON and DANL. WHITEHORNE, Church Wardens of South Farnham Parish, pay THO: TOMLIN for Five days attendance as an Evidence between ye sd Church Wardens & THO: HUCKLSCOTT according to Law with costs als Exo.

- Ordered that WM. JOHNSON & DANL. WHITEHORNE, Church Wardens of South Farnham Parish, pay GRACE TOMLIN for four days attendance as an Evidence between ye sd Church Wardens & THO: HUCKLESCOTT according to Law with costs als Exo.

- Mrs. ELIZA. REEVES presented ye Inventory & Appraismt. of ye Estate of JAMES STOREY deced, wch: is ordered to be recorded

- Mr. BER: GAINES, absent; Capt. EDWD. THOMAS, present

- Mrs. ELIZA: REEVES for admcon on STOREYs Estate referred to ye next Court

- Judgmt. on Attachamt. is granted to ROBT. COLEMAN against ye Estate of JNO. DICKS for Eighteen hundred sixty nine pds. of tobacco and caske due by Bill, to be paid out of ye Estate returned attached for satisfacon thereof with costs als Exo.

- Judgmt. on Attachmt. is granted to WM. COX agt. ye Estate of JNO. DICKS for Six hundred eighty three pounds of Tobo: due by acct. to be paid out of ye sd Estate returned attached for satisfacon thereof with costs als Exo.

- THO: MERRIOTT & MARY his Wife, Admx. with ye Will annxed of PETER HYMAN deced, presented ye Inventory & appraismt. of ye sd deceds Estate upon Oath, wch: is ordered to be recorded

- The suit between WM. COLE, ye Surviving Son & heir of JNO. COLE, who marryed ANN, one of the Daughters & coheirs of WM. GANTLETT deced, Plt. & ELIZA: BROADLEY Defendt., is referred till next Court by consent of ye Plts, ye Defendt. being incapable of coming to Court now

- Its ordered that ye suit between JAMES BOUGHAN, Exr. of JNO. BOUGHAN, Plt. and WM. JOURNEY Defendt., be dismist with costs, no cause of accon appearing

- Its ordered that the Sheriff of this County or his Deputy summon JNO. DAINGERFIELD, THO: HUCKLESCOTT, SAML. THACKER & THO: MUNDAY or any three of them some time between this & ye next Court to repair to ye House of Mr. THO: EDMONDSON & being before him sworne, Inventory & appraise ye Estate of THO: GOULDMAN deced wch: shall be presented

p. Essex County Court 11th of November 1698
131 to them by DOROTHY GOULDMAN, Exx. of the deced, & that she present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath

- Mr. JNO. TALIAFERRO, xxsent

- Judgmt. is granted to LAWRENCE PRATT agt. JNO. DAINGERFIELD for Eight hundred pds. of tobacco & caske due by acct. prov'd by ye Plts. Oath for a Horse sold ye Defendt., to be paid with costs of suit als Exo.

- Ordered that ye suit between Capt. JNO. SADLER & ROBT. COLEMAN be dismist

- Judgment is gratned to Capt. JNO. SADLER agt RICHD. COVINGTON & JAMES BOUGHAN, Admrs. of JNO. POOL deced, for Two hundred & thirty pds. of tobo: due by acct., to be paid out of ye sd deceds Estate, with costs als Exo.

- Ordered that ye Informacon of RICHD. COVINGTON agt HENRY PICKET be refer'd (at ye Defendts. request) till next Court

p. Essex County Court 10th of January 1697/8
90 - The Informacon of WALTER JONES agt. EDWARD JEFFRIES for a concealed Tithe-able is at ye Defendts. request referr'd till ye next Court for Mr. THO: EDMONDSONs Testimony in ye Matter with whom ye Defendt. aledges he entered himselfe as a Tithable

- The suit between WM. BRICE and SAML. HENLEY is dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between WM. JOHNSON, Exr. of WM. CONSTANTINE, Plt. & ROBERT PAWLIN Defendt., is dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between JOHN PICKET & JOHN CAMMELL is dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between EDWARD JEFFRIES & GEORGE SAULSBURY is dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between JAMES KNOX & JNO. MAGUFFEE is referr'd till ye next Court at ye Defendts. request by JAMES BOUGHAN his Attorney

- The suit between x x x x THACKER & JNO. MAGUFFEE is referr'd till ye next Court at ye Defendts. request by JAMES BOUGHAN his Attorney

- An Order against ye Sheriff is granted to THOMAS HUCKLESCOTT for Two thousand three hundred & sixty nine pounds of Tobo: & costs according to Declaracon, for ye non appearance of THO: GOULDMAN & DOROTHY his Wife, Exx. of ye last Will and Testamt. of RICHD. AWBREY deced, at ye suit of ye sd HUCKLESCOTT, unless ye sd Defendts. appear at ye next Court and answer ye same

- An Attachment hereon is granted ye Sheriff

- The suit between THO: WINSLOW and JOS: REEVES is dismist for want of prosecution

- On the mocon of ELIZA: PLEY, Admx. of ROBT. PLEY deced, Its ordered that ye order granted ye last Court for an Appraisment of ye sd deceds Estate be continued and that ye same be pformed some time between this & ye next Court

- Ordered that ye suit between Mrs. REBECCA TOMLIN & SAMUEL PALMER be dismist for want of prosecution

- Ordered that the suit between JOHN MOSS & MARY his Wife, Plts. and Capt. RICHD. HAILE Defendt. be dismist for want of prosecution

- Ordered that ye suit between Capt. EDWARD THOMAS & THO:

p. Essex County Court 10th of January 1697/8
91 SMITH be dismist for want of prosecution

- Ordered that the suit between JNO. PURVIS of London, Mercht., & THO: SMITH be dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between HENRY PICKET & JAMES CLARKE for Two hundred pds. of Tobo by Bill is dismist ye Defendt. discounting ye same upon Oath

- Capt. JNO. BATTAILE, absent

- Mr. JNO. BOOTH in Court made Oath that the two servants by name HENRY & PETER BYROME whom he sold to Mr. WM. TOMLIN were by him sold for no longer time then four years according to x x x Indentures dated ye 1st day of Febry. Anno Dom 1696 now produced in Court And ordered to be recorded; And Likewise the said BOOTH made Oath that their working tooles are their own

- Ordered that the suit between JNO. MAGUFFEE & JOB x x x x be dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between JAMES KNOX and GEORGE PARKE is dismist x x x x x

- HUGH CARY complains against JNO. ELLIOTT for that whereas the said ELLIOTT

- Also ELIZA: PLEY vs WM. BOWLER
- Also WM. TUNSTALL vs WM. JOHNSON
- Also JNO. GATEWOOD vs WM. COMPTON
- Also PHILL: PARR vs WM. FLETCHER
- Also ROBERT COLEMAN vs JNO. DICKES
- Also WM. HUDSON vs PETER HARWOOD
- Also JNO. BROOKES vs ROBT. WEBB
- Also Capt. RICHD. HAILE vs THO: GOULDMAN
- Also Capt. RICHD. HAILE vs. JNO. C--P
- Also THO: WINSTON vs JNO. CATLETT
- Also SIL. TANDY vs. WALTER JONES

- JANE SANDERS presented an Inventory of ye Estate of her former Husband, THO: BLANTON, deced, upon Oath, ye same is ordered to be recorded

- Upon ye mocon of Capt. WM. MOSELEY, Its ordered that ye Junes proceedings in ye suit between ROBT. PAYNE & ye sd MOSELEY be recorded

- Capt. EDWARD THOMAS absent

- Judgment is granted to ELIZA: PLEY, Admx. of ROBT. PLEY deced, agt. RICHD. MATHEWS for Five hundred and thirty

p. Essex County Court 12th of July 1698

109 four pounds of Tobo: & caske due on balice. of a Bill dated ye 4th Janry. 1695/6 to be paid with costs of suit als Exo.

- Its ordered that THO: MUNDAY, SAML. THACKER, JNO. GRAVES & EDWD. DANELLIN or any three of them some time between this & ye next Court meet at ye House of DANL. DISKIN deced (being first sworn before Mr. ROBT. BROOKE, who is requested to be at ye time & place aforesd) Inventory & appraise ye sd deced Estate & that JOAN DISKIN his Exx. present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath

- The Last Will and Testament of PETER HYMAN was prov'd by the Oath of JNO. BUTCHER & MARTHA PARKER & admcon. with ye Will annexed granted to MARY, his Widow, giveing security at ye next Court, And ordered that ye Sheriff or his Deputy summons her to appear then

- Upon ye mocon of Mr. FRA: TALIAFERRO, an Attachment is granted him against ye Estate of JNO. DICKS (who hath privately absented himself out of this Country) for the remaining part of his Debt being five pds. Sixteen shillings with costs returnable to ye next Court for Judgmt.

- GRACE SCOTT & SAML. JONES, Exrs. of JNO. SCOTT deced, vs HEN: WOODNUTT, Ordr: vs late Sheriff according to Declaracon

- Attachmt. hereon granted to ye Sheriff agt. ye Estate of ye sd WOODNOT returnable

- Its ordered that ye Accts. in difference between GRACE SCOTT & SAML. JONES, Exrs. of JNO. SCOTT deced, Plts. and DANL. DOBYNS, Defendt., be at ye Defendts. House on ye 21st Instant July by Mr. LEO: HILL & Mr. EDWD. ADCOCKE audited & their proceedings reported to ye next Court

- The suit between THO: GRIFFING & JAMES DEVALL is dismist for want of prosecution

- The suit between GRACE SCOTT & SAML. JONES, Exrs. of JNO. SCOTT deced, Plts. & VINCENT VAUSE Defendt. is dismist, ye Defendt. discounting ye Debt claimed agt. him upon Oath

- The suit between SUSANNA GOSS & WM. THOMAS is dismist for want of prosecution

p. Essex County Court 12th of July 1698
110 - Also SUSANNA GOSS vs STEPHEN SHARPE
- Also SUSANNA GOSS vs WALLIS
- Also JEFFRY DYER vs JAMES BOUGHAN
- Also JAMES TINDALL vs JAMES BOUGHAN
- Its ordered that Mr. JOHN DAINGERFEILD, Mr. ROBT. COLEMAN, ROBT. MILLS & GEO: WARD or any three of them sometime between this & ye next Court meet at ye House of JOS: REEVES & (being sworne before Mr. THO: EDMONDSON who is requested to be there at ye time & place aforesd. for that purpose) Inventory & appraise ye Estate of JOS: CLARKE deced & that ye sd REEVES present ye same to ye next Court upon Oath
- Mrs. ELIZABETH PLEY presented an Inventory of ye Estate of her deced Husband, Mr. ROBT. PLEY deced, upon Oath, wch: is ordered to be recorded
- Order for Admcon. is granted to JOHN SUGGETT & WM. AYRES in right of their two Wives & on behalfe of WM. SMITH on ye Estate of AGATHA SMITH their deced Sister giveing security at ye next Court
- By & with ye consent of ANNE WEBSTER, Mother to WM. SMITH, this Court doth order & appoint Capt. EDWARD THOMAS (God Father of the sd WM.) to be his Guardian, but not to intermeddle with any of ye sd WMs. Estate either Real or psonall.
- The Court adjourned to tomorrow morning 8 oclock

- At a Court held for Essex County ye 13th day of July 1698
Present
Mr. THO: EDMONDSON Mr. FRA: TALIAFERRO
Capt. EDWD. THOMAS Mr. JNO: TALIAFERRO Justices of ye Peace

- Mrs. ELIZ: REEVES presented an Inventory of ye Estate of JAMES STOREY deced upon Oath
- Its ordered that JNO. DAINGERFIELD, Mr. ROBERT COLEMAN & Mr. HENRY REEVES sometime between this & ye next Court meet at ye House of ELIZ: REEVES (& being first sworne before Mr. THO: EDMONDSON who is requested to be there at ye time & place aforesd. for that purpose) Inventory & appraise ye Estate of JAMES STOREY deced & return ye same to ye next Court
- A Probate on ye Last Will and Testamt. of WM. THORNBURY deced is granted to ELIZABETH CHRISTIAN, Exx. therein named, giveing security according to Law

p. Essex County Court 13th of July 1698
111 - The Judgmt. of this County Court dated ye 10th day of Augt. 1696 granted to Capt. ARTHUR SPICER agt. NICH: COPELAND for seventeen hundred pounds of Tobo: in caske, is renewed by scire facias and ordered to be paid with former & present costs als Exo.
- The suit between Capt. ARTHUR SPICER & NICH: COPELAND id dismist for want of prosecution
- Also Capt. ARTHUR SPICER vs JNO: LANDRAM
- Mr. WM. COLSLTON, assignee of JNO. MORGAN, vs ELIZ: PLEY, order agt. ye late Sher: for Nine hundred pds. of Tobo: in caske unless &c.
- Attachmt. hereon granted to ye sd Sheriff returnable &c.
- SAML. PARRY vs SAML. HENLEY dismist for want of prosecution
- Also THO: GOULDMAN vs WM. FLETCHER
- JAMES BOUGHAN, Exr. of GEO: PARKE deced vs JOS. REEVES , order agt the last Sheriff according to Verdt., unless &c.

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VIRGINIA COUNTY COURT RECORDS

ORDER BOOK ABSTRACTS of ESSEX COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1695-1699

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examined according to Law) at a Court held for Essex County ye 10th day of Febry: 1702 & truely recorded

(Performance Bond in the sume of Nine thousand pounds of good sound merchantable tobo: & caske recorded 10th of Febry: 1702, same witnesses.)

p. 132 THIS INDENTURE made the 9 day of February in the first yeare of the Reigne of or: Soveraigne Lady Ann by the Grace of God &c. and in the yeare of or: Lord One thousand seaven hundred & two Betweene RICHARD MEADERS of the Parish of Farnham in the County of Essex wthin: the Colony of Virginia, Cooper, & ANNE his Wife, one of the Daughters of JOHN MOSS, late of the Parish County & Colony aforesd., of the one part & WILLIAM COX of the Parish County & Colony aforesd., Planter, of the other part Witnesseth that for diverse other good causes & valuable considerations them the said RI: MEADERS & ANNE his Wife moveing but more especially for the whole sume of Two thousand pounds of good sweete scented tobo: & caske truely paid by the said WILLIAM COX. they the said RICHD. MEADERS & ANNE his Wife doe sell unto the sd WILLIAM COX his heires & assignes forever all that p:cell of land bounded as followeth (vizt.) lying on the West side of a branch called ye POPULAR BRANCH as already laid out from the heades the sd branch to the back line and soe adjoyning upon the Division Line of JNO: HARPER which said land is part of a tract of land that the said MOSS bought of JOHN & HENRY BOUGHAN by a certain Deed of Sale bearing date the 2d day of Aprill 1684 and acknowledged in RAPPAHANOCK County Court which said land containes by Estimacon One hundred acres together with all & singular houses & structures, gardens orchards & appurtenances whatsoever to sd parcell of land belonging, To have & to hold unto the said WILLIAM COX his heires & assignes forever, And the said RICHARD MEADERS & ANNE his Wife for themselves & their heires the said Tract of land will warrant & forever defend & doe promise with the said WILL: COX his heires and assignes that he will at all times forever hereafter lawfully & quietly have and enjoy the sd land & the pr:misses without any trouble of the said RICHARD MEADERS & ANNE his Wife And further do promise upon ye reasonable request of & at the proper costs in the Law acknowledge all further acts in the Law for the further & absolute conveying of all the before granted pr:misses as by sd WM. COX his heires or assignes or their Councell learned in the Law shall require In Witness whereof the parties their hands & seales have sett

Signed sealed & delivered in the pr:sence of us

HENRY KEARBY, RICHARD MEADOR

JOHN PICKETT ANN ⋀\ MEADOR

Acknowledged by RICHD. MEADOR & ANN his Wife (the sd ANN being examined according to Law) at a Court held for Essex County ye 10th day of Febry: 1702 & truely recorded

(Performance Bond in the amount of Tenn thousand pounds of good sound merchantable sweet sented tobo: & cask convenient in ye sd Pish: dated & recorded 9th & 10th day of Febry: 1702)

p. 133 TO ALL CHRISTIAN PEOPLE to whome these pr:sents shall come THOMAS WOOD of the County of Essex send Greeting in or: Lord God everlasting Now Know yee that the sd THOMAS WOOD for diverse good causes me thereunto moveing & out of the naturall love & affection I have to my Grand Children & for their further advancement & benefitt & especially for the paymt. of the sume of L 18:15:4 by them to be made unto WILLIAM COX of the said County his heires & administrators when he they or any of them come to the age of One & twenty yeares or to the possession & enjoyment of these pr:misses by me given do give & confirme unto my Grand Son, JOHN WOOD, after

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VIRGINIA COUNTY COURT RECORDS

DEED & WILL ABSTRACTS of ESSEX COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1701-1704

Essex County Records from 10 March 1700/1-11 March 1703/4

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Richard Meador
Will

John Haile
s/o Capt R. Haile

p.520. Lease and Release. 9-10 Aug. 1715. Alexander Graves of Christ Church Par., Middlesex Co., sells George Stapleton, for L 50. Sterl., 200 acres in Essex Co., adj. lands of Thomas Crow, Wm Chanee, William Gefferys and Dan'll Dobbins, which 200 acres Graves bought of Morgin Swinney and his wife Ann and Henry Purkins and his wife Tabitha Purkins. Signed Alexander Graves. Wit: Richins Brame, John Bristow, Nicholas Bristow. Mary Graves, wife to sd Alexander, relinq. her right of dower. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.523. Will of Timothy Driscoll of Essex Co. Dated 14 Sept. 1715. Prob. 15 May 1716. "I bequeve my sole to the Lord that gave it me". To wife Katherine Driscoll "my whole Estate Reighall personall dureing her neightorall Life". At her death or if she remarry as follows: To James Marsh a negro boy, if he d.s.p. to Wm Young Junior. To "Timothy Driscoll Juner Godson to the sd Timothy Driscoll Sen'or" four negroes. If he d.s.p. a negro to Richard Carter and three negroes to James Coatleland. To James Marsh 1/3 of Crop for 8 years, money, etc. To Timothy Driscoll personal estate. William Young sole exor. Signed Timothy Driscoll. Wit: Richard Carter, Sarah x Harwar, James Marsh. 15 May 1716 proved by oaths of Wm Young, Gent., Exor., and Richard Carter and James Marsh Evidences. 15 Jan. 1716/17 further proved by Sarah Harwar.

p.525. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 400. Sterl. Wm. Young as Exor of Timothy Driscoll, deceased. Essex County Justices listed in this bond are: ffrancis Gouldman, Joseph Smith, Henry Robinson, Wm Daingerfield, Tho Waring, Augt. Smith and Tho Cattlet. Signed Will Young, Richd Covington, Salvator Muscoe. Wit: Ralph Gough. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.526. Will of Richard Meador of So. Farn. Par., Essex Co. Dated 12 Dec. 1715. Prob. 15 May 1716. To wife plantation "whereon I now live" during life and then to eldest son William. To younger son Richard the land where William Borne now lives "that is to say after the sd William and hester his wife Decease the sd Land being fformerly In the possession of my Grandfather". If he d.s.p. then to "my youngest Daughter Addra". Following the word Grandfather is a word that may be either the surname White or the word white. It makes perfect sense either way. To "my Brother John Meador my pistoles and houlsters". Wife exor. Signed Richard Meador. Wit: Erasmus Allen, Thomas x Duden. Proved by oath of Ann Meader widow, Extrx therein named.

p.527. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 100. Sterl. Ann Medors, Extrx., of Est. of Richard Medors, decd. Signed Anne x Meadors, Jno Pickett, Wm Pickett. Wit: Ralph Gough. Rec. 15 May 1715.

p.528. Inventory of Est. of Thomas Tinsley, Lately Deceased. Total valuation L 46. 12. 0. Four feather beds and furniture listed, otherwise nothing unusual. Signed ffrederick x Coggill, Thomas Meades, Edmund Booker. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.529. Inventory of Est. of Henry Smith, deceased, taken and appraised 14 April 1716. Total valuation L 5: 10: 9. Signed Jasper Coston, Wm Thompson, Joseph x Leeman. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.530. Inventory of Est. of John Martaine, taken by order of Court 20 March 1715/16 and presented by Tho. Short, Junr., and Jobe Sperman, admrs. A lengthy inventory. Many items of woven fabrics indicating that he was a cloth merchant. Total valuation L 126: 04: 4. Signed John Boughan, Richard Booker, Tho Ramsey. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.523. Will of John Waggner of Essex Co. Dated 12 Feb. 1715/16. Prob. 15 May 1716. To wife Rachell Waggner his plantation during life, then to son Benj. Waggner. To wife 3 negroes, Doll, Martin and Jugg during life. Then Doll to "my Daughter Margarit Allen wife of William Allen". Negro Martin to son Benjamin. The negro girl Jugg to son Sam'l Wagoner. To "my son harbert Waggoner one Cow being in full of his portion". To sons Sam'll and Benjamin, beds and personal property. To "my daughter Dinah Allen wife of Erasmus Allen one Cow". Other bequests of personal property to children named above. Bal. of Est. to wife, she exor. Signed John Waggoner. Wit: Wm Daingerfield, Peter Byrom. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 150. Sterl. Rachel Waggener Extrx Est. Jno. Waggener. Signed Rachel x Waggener, Wm. Winston, Erasmus Allen. Wit: Ralph Gough. Rec. 15 May 1716. [Note: In regard to the above will there are these indefinable indications that Herbert Waggoner and Dinah Allen are not going to fare so well, and then to ease the sense of just distribution additional detail is left to them. As an experienced devisee I know the signs all too well. B.F.]

p.535. Inventory of the Est. of John Skey late of Essex Co., decd., taken by order of Court dated 20 March 1715/16. Total val. L 18. 14. 6. Signed Saml1 Stallord, John Miller, Thomas x Ayres. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.536. Will of Charles Doores of St. Anns Par., Essex Co. This name may possibly be Deeres. Dated 3 Jan. 1715/16. Prob. 15 May 1716. "being very sick and weeak but of perfect mind and memory". To eldest son James Doores a heifer 2 years old to be paid him when he is 16. To son Charles Doores his gun to be delivered at the age of 16. That James and Charles Doors "should have two years Schooling a pease at or after the age of Eight years and to be paid out of my Estate". Bal. of Est. to "my Loveing ffriends Abner Gray and Richard Gugge for the bringing up of my Children", they to be exors. Signed Charles x Doores. Wit: Jno Ridgdaile, Wm Gray. "The w'th in Last Will and Testam't of Charles Doores dec'd was presented by Abnor Grey Surviving Exor therein named x x and is recorded" 15th May 1716.

p.537. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 50. Sterl. Abner Gray Exor of Est. of Charles Doors decd. Signed Abner x Gray, John x Bell, Jer Biswell [Jeremiah Beeswell]. Wit: Andrew Harrison, Ralph Gough. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.538. Deed of Gift. 28 March 1716. Richard Booker of Essex Co. "do freely clearly and absolutly Give and Grant unto Susanah Coghill Daughter to ffrederick Coghill and Sarah his wife all that Tract or Devidend of Land which was left to the sd Susanah Coghill by the Last will and Testament of George Duckberry Lately deceased x x". Signed Richard Booker. Wit: Sam'll Bizwell, John Miller, Thomas x Ayres. Rec. 18 May 1716.

p.539. Deed of Gift. 28 March 1716. Frederick Coghill of Essex Co., gives to Richard Booker of same Co., 340 acres, being all right, title and interest in a tract of land "in a patent granted by Governor Berkeley unto James Coghill" on 17 April 1667, of 1050 acres, that is all that is in St. Anns Par. Signed ffrederick x Coghill. Wit: James Bizwell, John Miller, Thomas x Ayres. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.539. Richard Booker makes over all right and title to the within mentioned 340 acres. Dated 15 May 1716. Signed Richard Booker. Wit: John Boughan, Wm x Price. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.540. "Pursuant to an order of Essex County dated the 20th day of March 1715 we x x have Inventoryed and apraised all such of the Estate of Alce Shipley as was presented to our Vewy by John Shipley Ex'or of the sd Estate as followeth vizt:" List includes:

To 1 ould ffeather beed Loe Beedsted Corde and hide Rugg and Blankett	2: 10: 0
To 5 puter plates 4 poringers and nine Spoones and 2 cups 1 salt Siller 1 Scimer 1 Tankard	0: 07: 0
To 1 Gound and 2 petty Coates	1: 10: 0
To 1 Black hood a Lased Hanckercife and sum other Lining and 1 Earthen plate	0: 10: 0

Total valuation L 34. 17. 7. Given under our hands this 10th day of Aprill 1716. John Boughan, Tho Ramsey, John andrecos. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.541. Bond. 15 May 1716. 10000 lb. tobo. Augustine Ley to keep an ordinary at his dwelling house in St. Anns Par. Signed Aug't Ley, Jer Beswell. Wit: Andrew Harrison, Ralph Gough. Rec 15 May 1716.

p.542. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 20. Sterl. Aug't Ley to keep the ferry "usly called Southings fferry". Signed Aug't Ley, Jeremiah Beswell. Wit: Andrew Harrison, Ralph Gough. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.543. Power of Atty. William Evered of Leverpoole in the County of Lancaster and Kingdom of Great Britain, Mariner, to Wm. Daingerfield on the freshes of Rapahannock River in the County of Essex in Virginia in america, planter, to transact all business for him in Virginia. Dated 22 March 1715/16. Signed Wm Evered. Wit: Joseph Smith, Spilsbe Coleman. William Daingerfield Gent., presented the above power of attorney x x which was proved by the oaths of Joseph Smith Gent and Spils-by Coleman. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.544. Bond. 15 May 1716. 10000 lb. tobo. Arthur Bower to keep an ordinary at his home in St. A. Par. Signed Arth Bowers, Wm Winston, James Rennolds junr. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.545. Lease and Release. 14-15 May 1716. Richard Covington, Gent., of St. A. Par., sells William Saint-John of So. F. Par., 82 acres in So. F. Par., being part of a dividend "called by the name of bestlands". Adj. lands of Thos. Howerton and of Meriwether. Signed Richd Covington. Wit: Nicholas Smith Junr, Wm Covington Ju'r. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.549. Deed. 27 Sept. 1715. Henry Adcocke of So. Farn. Par., sells John Evans of same Par., 70 acres in Essex Co., on Rappa. River side, Adj. lands of Mr. Lewis Lattany and the land of Mr. Leonard Hill. This land in consideration for a third part "of a Grist water mill commonly call and known by the name of Evan's mill scituate and being in King and Queen County and parish of St Stephens". Signed Henry Adcocke. Wit: Wm Covington, James Webb, Hugh Williams. Rec. 15 May 1716.

p.551. Will of Sarah Bizewell of St. A. Par., Essex Co., "being very sick and Weake of body but of perfickt sense and memory". Dated 13 Janauary 1715/16. Prob. 16 May 1716. All land to be div. betw. "my two sons Erasmus Bizewell and Daniell Bizewell in Quanty and Quallety". To daughter Ann Bizwell 1000 lb. tobo. Bal. of Est. to be div. equally betw. "my three Children Erasmus, Daniell and Ann Bizewell". Exors "my two brothers John Butler and Jeremiah Bizewell". Signed Sarah x Bizwell. Wit: Aug't Ley, John x Bizwell, John Boughan. Presented by Jeremiah Beeswell one of the Exors., 16 May 1716.

p.552. Bond. 16 May 1716. L 200. Sterl. Jeremiah Beeswell admr of Est of Robt. Beeswell decd. Signed Jer Biswell, Aug't Ley, John Mckenny. Wit: Wm Covington junr, Ralph Gough. Rec. 16 May 1716.

p.553. Bond. 16 May 1716. L 20. "Whereas Judgm't being this day Given in Essex County Court unto Jane Peacock agt Leonard Hill upon a petition depending between the sd Jane and Leonard for the said Janes ffreedome", an appeal is granted Hill to the Gen'l. Court. Signed Leo Hill 1716, Richd Covington. Wit: Thomas x Griffin, Ralph Gough. Rec. 16 May 1716.

p.554. Bond. 16 May 1716. L 10. Sterl. Jane Olive as Guardian of Elizabeth Brown an orphan. Signed Jane x Olive, Erass Allen [Erasmus Allen]. Wit: Zach Lewis. Rec. 16 May 1716.

p.555. Bond. 17 May 1716. L 500. Sterl. Edward Coleman, John Chamberling and Danl. Brown. Administrators of the estate not settled of Robt. Coleman, decd. Signed Dan'll Brown, Edward Coleman, John Chamberlaine, James Boughan, John Crow. Wit: Salvator Muscoe, Ralph Gough. Rec. 17 May 1716.

p.556. Inventory of remainder of the Estate of Richard Kemp, decd. "and have set a part the Dower of Ellenar Kemp widow of the said Richard". Includes: To his wareing apparell 3 wiggs gloves and hatt 03. 00. 00. Total valuation L 165. 19. 09½. Signed John Hawkins, John Boughan, Salvator Muscoe, Anne Kemp. Rec. 17 May 1716.

p.558. Lease and Release. 18 and 19 June 1716. Francis Smith of St. A. Par., planter, sells John Spicer Junr. of the Par. of Sittenburn in the Co., of Richmond, Gentleman, 100 acres in St. A. Par., formerly bought by John Smith of William Catlett, adj. Rappa River and the land of Robert Payne. Signed ffran Smith. Wit: Nicho Smith, Joshua ffarguson. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.563. Mortgage. 7 April 1716. Francis Smith of St. A. Par. planter, sells Leonard Tarent of same Par., gent., for 4400 lb. tobo. "for the proper Debts of the sd ffrancis Smith (at the Instance and request of the sd ffrancis Smith) and in Consideration of the sd Tarents haveing ffreed and set at Liberty the sd ffrancis Smith out of the Goal of the sd County and in Consideration that no Interest is to be paid for the sd Tobacco x x all that his the sd ffrancis Smiths Plantation and Tract of Land whereon he now dwells", formerly purchased of one Catlett, in St. A. Par., on Rappa River, 95 acres. Smith agreeing to pay Tarent the 4400 lb. tobo., on the 25th Dec. 1716. That if Smith decides to dispose of the land finally to Tarent, each will select an honest man to place proper valuation on the property. Signed ffra Smith, Leo Tarent. Wit: John Hunter, Richard Moss, Tho Henman. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.567. Inventory of Est. of Robt. Bizwell decd., presented by Jeremiah Bizwell, admr., according to Court Order 16 May 1716. Includes:

To a parcell of Sarah Bizwells old waring Close	1:	0:	0
To a pare of pistolls and houlsters Breast plate and Cruper	1:	0:	0
To a parcell of ould books	0:	04:	0

Total valuation L 60: 00: 8. Given under our hand this 15th day of June 1716. John Boughan, Ralph Rowzee, Augustin Ley. [Note: Of these poor scattered words we must rebuild our history. What circumstances brought this armor to Virginia? When? What shot or blows had it turned aside from our ancestors' hearts? B.F.]

p.569. Deed. 4 May 1716. Thomas Bartlett of St. Marys Par., Essex Co., planter, sells John Miller of St. A. Par., planter, for 3400 lb. tobo., 60 acres, granted to John Ayres 1662 [part of page missing here], bounded by the lines of Kirk, of Rotterford, of Thorp and of sd Miller. Signed Thomas x Bartlett. Wit: Sam'll Bizwell, John Millatt [Miller?], Robert Parker. Patience Bartlett wife of Thomas relinq. her right of dower. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.572. Bond. 19 June 1716. L 1000. Sterling. Thomas Catlett, having obtained appointment, as sheriff of Essex Co. Signed Thomas Catlett, ffran Thornton, Jno Taliaferro. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.578. Lease and Release. 18-19 June 1716. Joanna Williamson, of St. A. Par., spinster, sells Elizabeth Pursell, of same Par., widow, her interest in half of a tract of land and dwelling house, 100 acres in St. A. Par., "nigh a certain place there com'only called Elliots ordianary, which land was devised to them (Joanna and Elizabeth) by their late father John Williamson decd". Signed Joanna x Williamson. Wit: John Boughan, Ralph Gough, Tho Henman. Rec. 19 June 1716. [Note: So here is a Williamson - Purcell connection early in the 18th century as well as later on. All of us make uncalled for remarks. Strictly in this class is the free information that the origin of the name Purcell is 'little pig'. B.F.]

p.577. Inventory of Est. of Richd. Meador, decd. Includes:

To a sett of Trupers arms	3:	-:	-
To 2 Saddles and 2 bridles	-:	15:	-
To a parcell of old bookes	-:	10:	-
To 1 pare of old Silver buckels	-:	3:	6
To 1 new felt hatt and 2 other felt hatts	-:	5:	-
To a parcell of Shewmakers tooles and Lasts	1:	1:	-
To a parcell of Shewmakers thred and flax	-:	3:	-

Total valuation L 63: 8: 8. Signed 12 June 1716. Erasmus Allen, John x Gatewood, Jno Billups. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.579. Bond. 19 June 1716. L 20. Sterl. Peter Godfrey admr. of Est. of Richd. Owen, decd., he having died without a will. Justices of Essex Co. listed in this bond are: Joseph Smith, William Daingerfield, Thom's Wairen and Ruben Welsh. Signed Pr Godfrey, John Pickett, Robert Jones. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.580. Will of Benja ffisher of So. Farnham Par., Essex Co. Dated 16 April 1716. Prob. 19 June 1716. All land to be div. equally betw "my three sons Namely Benjamin ffisher James ffisher and John ffisher". Mill to be also div. betw. 3 sons, "it being in Lew of a bond w'ch James Boughan hath of mine for sixty pounds Sterl". To wife Elizabeth ffisher a feather bed and her third of Est. Bal. of Est. to be div. betw. "my children Jonathan ffisher, Elizabeth ffisher, Benjamin ffisher, James ffisher and John ffisher". To wife Elizabeth a slave and she to be extrx. Other slaves to be div. betw. children. "I give unto my father Jonathan ffisher all my wareing Cloaths Except that that is bound w'th Silver I give unto my son Benjamin ffisher to be given him at the Discretion of my Executrix". Signed Benj'a ffisher. Wit: Benja Morris, John Haile, Thomas Bryan, Richard Jones.

p.582. Bond. 19 June 1716. L 400. Sterl. Elizabeth Fisher, widow, Extrx. of Est. of Benj. Fisher, decd. Signed Elizabeth x ffisher, James Boughan, John Boughan. Rec. 19 June 1716.

p.583. Will of Thomas Peatrooss of St. A. Par., Essex Co. Dated 27th Dec. 1715. Prob. 20 March 1715/16. Land bought of John Hudson to be sold to pay debts. Land lying by William Biesle to be sold as follows: the first 50 acres, now seated by Henry Biesle to "my Cosen Thomas Petrese the son of John Petrose and Ann his wife". If he d.s.p. then

Amelia Co., sell John Webb of Essex Co., for L 40. current money, 800 acres in Amelia Co., said land patented by Wm Callicoat 28 Aug 1746. Adjoins lands of Wm Eckhole, Little Saylors Creek, Smith's line, Dupuy's line, Childer's line, Motley's corner, etc. This is a very long deed. Signed William Callicoat Mary x Callicoat. Wit: Richard Beazley, Edwd Harper, James x Dix. Rec. 15 April 1748.

Deed Book 3. p.56. Deed. 29 Dec. 1747. Thos Seay of St. Davids Parish, King William Co., sells Nathaniel Ford of Raleigh Parish, Amelia Co., 200 acres in Amelia on both sides of Sandy Creek. Record incomplete - page missing from record book.

Deed Book 3. p.96. Deed. 14 July 1748. James Seay of St. Davids Parish, King William Co., sells to Gideon Seay of Raleigh Parish, Amelia Co., for 5 shillings 193 acres in Raleigh Parish in Amelia Co., whereon Gideon Seay now lives, etc.

Deed Book 3. p.98. Deed. 14 July 1748. James Seay of St. D. Par., King Wm. Co., sells Jesse Seay of "Reighleigh" Parish, for 5 shillings, 200 acres in Raleigh Parish whereon Jesse Seay now lives.

Deed Book 3. p.99. Deed. 14 July 1748. James Seay of St. D. Par., King Wm. Co., sells James Seay Junr of Raleigh Parish, for 5 shillings, 193 acres in Raleigh Parish whereon James Seay Junior now lives, etc.

Deed Book 3. p.221. Mortgage. 25 March 1749. John Webb of Amelia Co mortgages all his land in Amelia Co. to Samuel Jordan Senr of Amelia. Refers to Elizabeth, wife of John Webb. Signed John Webb, Eliza Webb. Wit: James Webb, Willm x Gum, Thomas Hall.
[Deed Book 3 examined to p.223]

Chesterfield County Transactions. Records of Chesterfield Co. Chesterfield C. H., Va. Deed Book 1. p.15. Deed. 3 Aug 1749. Thos Franklin Jr. and Mary his wife of Chesterfield Co. sell Joseph Power of King and Queen Co., for L 19. 10. 0 Current Money of Virginia, 100 acres in Chesterfield Co., on S. side of Swift Creek, adjoining land of John Fitzgerald, being part of a greater tract known as the Iron Mine. Signed Thomas x Franklin. Wit: Alexander Smith, Wm Graves Jr, Wm Graves. Rec. 4 August 1749.

Deed Book 1. p.16. Deed. 3 August 1749. William Graves Senr and Elizabeth his wife of Chesterfield Co. sell Alexander Smith of King and Queen Co, for L 15. Current Money of Virginia, 100 acres in Chesterfield Co. on Swift Creek, adjoining land of Wm Morris, Wm Jackson, Ralph Jackson, Thomas Franklin, being part of a greater tract known as the Iron Mine. Signed William Graves. Wit: Joseph Powers, William Graves Jr, Tho x Franklin. Rec. 4 August 1749. [See p.290. Deed. Cornelius Short to Alexander Smith. 1750].

Deed Book 1. p.247. Deed. 6 July 1750. Field Jefferson of the County of Lunenburg, Gent., sells John Smith of the County of King and Queen, cooper, for L 90., Current Money of Virginia, 500 acres in Chesterfield Co. Bounded as follows: beginning on the North side of Second Branch opposite to a forked Buttonwood at the mouth of Jackson's Branch, adjoining Thompson's line, crossing Licking Creek, etc. Signed Field Jefferson. Wit: John Ellett, William Graves, John Ward. Rec. 6 July 1750.

Deed Book 3. p.266. Deed of Gift. 5 May 1758. Alexander Smith of the Parish of Dale in the County of Chesterfield, gives "for and in Consideration of the natural love and Affection which he hath and beareth towards his son the said Joseph Smith", 100 acres in the Parish of Dale, being part of a tract of 145 acres purchased by said Alex: Smith of Cornelius Short. Signed Alexander Smith. No witnesses shown on record. Rec. 5 May 1758.

Deed Book 1. p.187. Deed. 18 July 1750. Moses Ferguson of Chesterfield Co., sells to Benjamin Atkins of King and Queen Co., for L 50., Current Money of Virginia, 200 acres lying on both sides Wests Branch in Chesterfield Co., being part of 400 acres granted said Moses Ferguson 28th Sept. 1730. Signed Moses x ferguson. Wit: Wm Watkins Jr, William x Perdue, Solomon x Newby. Rec. 1 March 1750.

Deed Book 1. p.302. Deed. 6 March 1752. Benj Atkins of Chesterfield Co sells James Gill of same Co., for L 50. Current Money, 200 acres [above land]. No witnesses shown. Signed Benjamin Atkins. 3 April 1752. Deed acknowledged by Atkins and his wife [her name not shown on record] relinq: her dower, and recorded.

Deed Book 3. p.69. Deed. 6 Aug 1756. Henry Hudson of Chesterfield Co sells to Thomas Tureman of the County of King and Queen, for L 40., Current Money, 130 acres in Chesterfield Co., being on S. side of Parrish's branch, adjoining line of Frances Farler, Standley's land but now in possession of Charles Clay, etc. Signed Henry x Hudson. Wit: Joel Hudson, Robert Hudson, George Hudson. Rec. 6 August 1756.

Deed Book 3. p.312. Deed. 1 Dec 1758. William Hickman of King William Co. sells to Wm. Saymore of Chesterfield Co., for L 58., Current Money, 272 acres, on S. side of Swift Creek, said land bought by Hickman from Jno Ellett. Signed William Hickman. No witnesses shown on record. Rec. 1 Dec 1758.

Deed Book 3. p.314. Deed. 10 August 1758. Humphrey Hill and Richard Tunstall of the County of King and Queen, Gent., sell Gerrard Ellyson of Chesterfield Co., for L 35., Current Money of Virginia, 100 acres on Falling Creek, Chesterfield Co. Signed Richard Tunstall Humphrey Hill. Wit: Philip Ryan, Robert Cary, John Trabue. Rec. 3 Nov 1758.

Deed Book 3. p.316. Deed. 10 Aug. 1758. Humphry Hill and Richard Tunstall of King and Queen Co., sell to Peter Oliver of Chesterfield Co., for L 143., Current Money of Virginia, 374 acres on Falling Creek, Chesterfield Co., being part of a tract purchased by Hill and Tunstall from Matthews Flournoy (400 acres) on 22 January 1754. Adjoins land of Gerrard Ellyson. Signed and witnessed as foregoing entry. Rec. 3 Nov. 1758.

ESSEX COUNTY TRANSATIONS. Records of Essex Co. Tappahannock, Virginia. No.11. Wills and Deeds. 1702-1704. p.29. Deed. 10 July 1703. In this entry "all Exparince popell" of course means "all Christian people". The spelling is just a little too choice to omit, so we quote the opening words of the deed. "To all Exparince popell to whom these Presents shall com I John Haille of the County of Essex son and hare of Cap't Richard Haille Deceased send greeting". After that he sells John Loveing, for 2000 lb tobo., 100 acres in King and Queen Co., being part of a greater tract granted "to my Father Cap't Richard Haill" lying part in King and Queen and part in Essex. Boundries begin "at a Marked Whight oak standing upon a branch side that Iesweth out of Bevarley run that cometh out of Mattaponey river", adjoins "portobago path", etc. Signed John Haile. Wit: James Edmondson, Joseph Edmondson. Rec. 10 July 1703. [Note: This deed is a perfect example of what time does to words and expressions. Now Beverley Run does not issue out of the river, at least the last time I stood on its banks it was tumbling over stones and hustling like Hell to get down the valley to the Mattaponi. Of course the term "creek" is used in this section for inlets from the bays and larger rivers, thus may be said to "issue" from the larger body of water. Most of these "creeks" are really fed from smaller streams from springs, etc. B. F.]

No.11. Wills and Deeds. p.59. Bond. 10 Aug 1703. L 50. Sterling. Arrabella Bird as Admrx of Randall Bird deceased. Signed Arrabella x Bird, Francis Gouldman, James Boughan. Wit: Edward Gouldman, Richard Buckner. Rec. 10 Aug 1703.

No.11. Wills and Deeds. p.87. Inventory of Estate of Randall Bird deceased, submitted by Arabella Bird, Admrx. Totals 1180 lb tobo. Sworn before Fra: Gouldman. Signed Robt Moseley, Robt Moss. Rec. 10 Sept 1703.

No.11. Wills and Deed. p.156. Lease and Release. 9 and - Feb 1703/4. Arrabella Bird of Sittenbourne Parish, widow, only dau and heir apparent of Henry White late of the same Parish, deceased, planter, sells Francis Gouldman of the same Parish, gent., for L 70., 300 acres in Sittenbourne Parish, on S. side of Occupacon Creek, near the mouth thereof, on S. side of Rappahannock River. Adjoins the Church Road in the South line, near the land of Augustine Brethenbird, etc. Signed Arabella Bird. Wit: Edw'd Adcocke, Henry Adcocke, Tho: Stretton. Rec. 10 Feb. 1703/4.

No.11. Wills and Deeds. p.164. Lease and Release. 9 and 10 Feb 1703/4. Arrabella Bird of S. Par., widow, only dau and heir apparent of Henry White late of the same Par., planter, deceased, and niece and heir apparent of John White, deceased, who was the eldest son and heir apparent of Nicho: White deceased, sells James Boughan of Farnham Parish, planter, for L 30., the plantation whereon John Griffin, shipwright, lately dwelt and whereon the said Jas. Boughan now dwelleth, being 150 acres on W. side of Piscataway Creek in Farnham Parish. This land being part of 1150 acres granted to Mr John Cox deceased. Signed Arrabella x Bird. Wit: Erasmus Allen, Will Young, Ja Alderson. Also

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page 526. Will of Richard Meador of So. Farn. Par., Essex Co.
Dated 12 Dec. 1715. Prob. 15 May 1716.
To wife plantation "whereon I now live" during life and then to eldest son William.
To younger son Richard the land where William Borne now lives "that is to say after the sd William and hester his wife Decease the sd Land being fformerly In the possession of my Grandfather". If he d.s.p. then to "my youngest Daughter Addra". Following the word Grandfather is a word that may be either the surname White or the word white. It makes perfect sense either way.
To"my Brother John Meador my pistoles and houlsters".
Wife exor.
Wit: Signed Richard Meador
Erasmus Allen
Thomas x Duden

Proved by oath of Ann Meader widow, Extrx therein named.

page 527. Bond. 15 May 1716. L 100. Sterl. Ann Medors, Extrx., of Est. of Richard Medors, decd.
Wit: Signed Anne x Meadors
Ralph Gough Jno Pickett
Wm Pickett

Rec. 15 May 1715.

page 528. Inventory of Est. of Thomas Tinsley, Lately Deceased. Total valuation L 46. 12. 0. Four feather beds and furniture listed, otherwise nothing unusual.

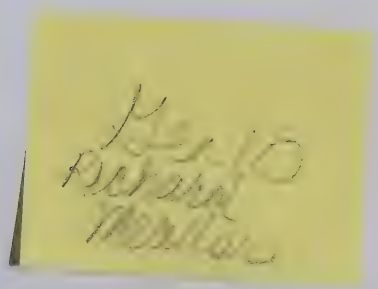
Signed ffrederick x Coggill
Thomas Meades
Edmund Booker

Rec. 15 May 1716.

page 529. Inventory of Est. of Henry Smith, deceased, taken and appraised 14 April 1716. Total valuation L 5: 10: 9

Signed Jasper Coston
Wm Thompson
Joseph x Leeman

Rec. 15 May 1716.



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In the name of god amen

I Richard Meador of the parish of South Farnham in Essex County being sick and weake but yet of sound perfect memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and I do make & ordain this my last will & testament & bequeathe my soule into the hands of almighty God hoping at the generall Resurrection shall receive full pardon and remission of all my sins and after this painefull Life Indeed my body to be buried in decent manner by my Executor hereafter named hereafter and as for all my worldly goods which it hath pleased to lend me I give in manner and forme following from me give and bequeath unto my Loving wife the plantation whereon I now live [illegible] for ever [illegible] and after my sd wifes decease the [illegible] the plantation I now dwell on to my Grandchild John William [illegible] I give and bequeath unto my Loving Father John Richard and [illegible] William Morris now [illegible] that is to say after the decease of my sd father and mother Dorsey Wales Land being formerly given to my Grandfather to his my Desire is that my [illegible] shall enjoy the same [illegible] and his heirs of his lawfully begotten and [illegible] such heirs then he to [illegible] I give unto my youngest daughter Debra to her [illegible] as her body lawfully begotten from I give unto my [illegible] and my servants also making [illegible] my loving wife my sole executrix of this my last will and testament

Richard Meador his mark

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Richard Meador as his last will and testament in the presence of us the day & year above written

Thomas Allen
Thomas X Dudon

Proved at Court held for Essex County on Tuesday the 15th day of May 1716

The within last will & testament of Richard Meador was presented & proved by the oath of Ann Meador Widow & Executrix therein named and also was further proved by the oaths of Erasmus Allen & Thomas Dudon & witnesses thereto & is recorded

Teste Jno. Hamerton Clerk

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begotten from of this mine [illegible]
[illegible] and workmen allso making a [illegible]

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woole, a Bill of JOHN HILLs a Debt of HEN: AXAM; Det from WM. GANNAOCKE, Debt of WM. ROWSE, to a Bill of Mr. FREEMAN, Disposed of Mr. BLACKBURNs Cropp by THO: SHORT TOTAL 19936

FRA: SLAUGHTER JAMES BOWLWARE
Coram jurati BER: GAINES WM. WB BROWNE BARTHO: VAWTER
At a Court held for Essex County Febry: ye 11th: 1694
THO: SHORT presented this Inventory upon Oath which ws ordered to be recorded
Vere Recordatr: Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

pp. 331-332 9br: ye 8th 1694. An Inventory and appraisement of ye state of Capt. CHRISTOPHER BLACKBURNE bequeathed in his Will, taken by us whose names are subscribed by vertue of an Order of Court

Imps. To 4 feather beds and furniture, 1 Cow and Calfe, 1 Mare & colt, 2 suits of diaper table linen, 8 iron pots, 7 ounces of plate, 1 Negro man & Negro woman, 2 Negro girles, 59 lbs. Brass, 1 of old Brass, to CHARLES BROWNEs Debt 29918

FRA: SLAUGHTER JAMES BOWLWARE
Coram Jurati BERNARD GAINES BARTHO: VAWTER WM. BROWNE WB
At a Court held for Essex County Febry: ye 11th 1694
THO: SHORT presented this Inventory upon Oath which was ordered to be recorded
Vere Recordatr: Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER Cl Cur

pp. 332-333 KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I JOHN MEADOR SENIOR, Widoer, in ye County of Essex in ye Pish: of South Phernam for ye love I bear to my Children that I had by my Wife, ELIZABETH MEADOR deced, I doe hereby give them such persell of land that I shall set downe severall by their selves all ye land that I have ye West side of a Branch that goeth by ye GREAT BRANCH. I do give to my Son, RICHARD MEADOR, and my Son, JOHN MEADOR, it shall be divided as I shall see fit between them as near as I can divide it to they & their heires lawfully begottin of their owne bodies for ever, a parcell of land begining at a COLD SPRING by my Orchard Fence & runing West & by North till it meets with ye GREAT BRANCH so along ye GREAT BRANCH till it comes to ye main Swamp of ye Creeke, then downe ye Swamp till it comes to ye COLE SPRING BRANCH then up ye Branch where it began being a long neck of land I do give it to my Son, THOMAS MEADER and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body for ever; A parcell of land begining at my uppermost line by JOHN EVANS land to ye head of a branch at a marked white Oake and runing down ye branch till it meets with ye Maine Swamp ye branch being crooked, all ye land that I have within my bounds on ye East side of that Branch being a great deal of Old Fields belonging to it, & I doe give that to my Son, HOPE MEADOR, and his heires lawfully begottin of his own body for ever I doe give to my Daughter, RACHELL MEADOR, One hundred and five acres of land that I bought of Mr. EDWIN THACKER to she and her heirs for ever; a parcell of land lyeing into Necks the North side of the Creek which my Father in Law, RICHARD WHITE, gave to me by Deed of Gift, I doe by the virtue of that Deed of Gift, I do give to my Daughter, ELIZABETH MEADOR, ye Second Neck & my Daughter, ESTHER MEADOR, the Neck that has ye houseing and orchards to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodyes forever, the land given to my Sons and Daughters never to be sold nor disposed of but to remaine from heir to heir as long as there van be one of ye MEADORs found alive, if it be ye Lords will to call any of my Sons or Daughters before me, and any of them should dye before me, ye land of the Deed to returne to me againe to my disposeing. I doe reserve and except to my selfe Timber upon any parte of ye land for my owne use as long as I live. As Witness my hand and seale this tenth day of December 1694

Sealed & dd. in the presents of us
MARY X GORBELL JOHN MEADOR
JOSEPH B COLLAWAY
At a Court held for Essex County Febr: ye 11th 1694
The within named JOHN MEADOR appear'd & acknowledged the within specified contents to be his reall act and deed, ye same was ordered to be recorded
Vere Recordatr. Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

p. 333 Sr: I would desire you to appear as my Attorney in Essex County Court in & accon that I am shued in at ye suit of JOHN HARRISON and there to defend as my Attorney and what you shall act or doe in ye premisses shall be allowed as if I were personed presented my selfe and this shall be your sufifion warrant as witness my hand this 9th day of June 1694/5
To JAMES BAUGHAN, Attorney at Law ANNE + COOPER
These present witness: BENJAMIN MATHEWS,
RICHARD X COOPER
Vere Recordtr: Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

p. 333 October 1694. These presents are to certifie whome it may concerne that I RICHARD LAND, Planter, and Liver in ye Parish of Saint Stephen, KING & QUEEN County, do say & am ready to give oath when a cation requires that on ye 21 day of September last past I being at ye house of GILES ROGERS did see JOHN MAKENEY ride by the sd ROGERS Plantation along ye PATH that goest to ye Plantation called Capt. STERNES QUARTER and DANIEL ROBINSON Plantation & as neer as I can guis ye sd MAKENEY had not been gon above halfe an houer before I see him again in another RODE I being in Compeney wth: NATHANIELL VISE and his Wife hard by ye RODE and when MEKENEY came within forty or fifty poles of us he put his horse out of ye PATH and rod smartly a cross ye woods as Witness my hand
Test WILLIAM MORRIS RICHARD R LAND
Sworne to before me ye 17th of December 1694
These presents are to certifie whome it may concerne that I NATHANIEL VISE do say & ham redy to give oath that on ye 21 day of September last I see JOHN MEKENEY riding along ye Rod which goeth by my Plantation side I being in company wth: RICHARD LAND & my Wife, we standing by ye Rod he did not come up to us but turnd his horse out of ye Rod & ride a crost ye woods about forty or fifty poles from us as witness my hand
Witness WILLIAM MORRIS NATHANIEL N VISE
Sworne to ye same time before me THO: EDMONDSON
To Mr. FRA: MERIWETHER Clerke of Essex These
Vere Recordtr: Test FRANCIS MERIWETHER, Cl Cur

pp. 333-334 KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that we DANIEL ROBINSON and JOHN MAY of St. Stephen Parish in ye County of KING & QUEEN do acknowledge our selves to ow and stand indebted unto our Soveraigne Lord & Lady, King William & Queen Mary in ye full sume of twenty pounds Sterll: money which payment we bind ourselves this 19th of December 1694 DANIEL ROBINSON
JOHN C MAY
The Condicon of ye above written obligacon is such that whereas one JOHN MEKENEY of Essex County, Planter, was this pr:sent day brought before me, THO: EDMONDSON, by ye above bounden DANIELL ROBINSON & JOHN MAY and was by them charged with ye following: forceing a house & breakeing open a chest & takeing severall goods of theirs ye sd DANIEL ROBINSON and JOHN MAY and thereupon was by me bound with surety to

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VIRGINIA COUNTY COURT RECORDS

RECORD ABSTRACTS of ESSEX COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1694-1695

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John Bryson (1690) and Ann Moss of Essex and Orange Co, VA

I (Marty Grant) am not related to John Bryson as far as I know, but I am very interested in this family.

Special thanks to Jean Suddarth for data shared on this family, particularly the Moss and Meador connections in Essex Co, VA.

John Bryson was born ca 1690 (rough guess, based on him marrying prior to ca 1720). He was in Virginia by 1720, but I don't know if he was born there, or if he came to Virginia from Pennsylvania or from Scotland or Ireland (or elsewhere).

John Bryson married **Ann Moss Meador** between 1717 and 1720 in Essex Co, VA. Ann was a daughter of John Moss (d ca 1697) and Ann --- Moss. Ann Moss (dau of John) married first to Richard Meador who died in 1716 in Essex Co, VA. (Thanks to Jean Suddarth for this data about the Moss and Meador families).

According to Jean's research, the widow Ann Moss Meador was sole executor of Richard Meador's estate. Within a few years of his death, she was taken to court by her son William Meador over the estate, in these records she was listed jointly with husband "John Bryson", and in three cases was listed as "Elizabeth" and once as "Ann", possibly indicating her full name was "Elizabeth Ann".

At some point in time, John and Ann moved to the "Frontier" of Orange Co, VA.

On 5 Jun 1736 John Snow received a 400 acre Patent for land in Orange County, VA. It was described as bordering John Bryson and Thomas Chew. (Virginia Land Patents Book 17 page 89 from Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents Volume IV 1732-1741 by Virginia Genealogy Society). Note: This book can be purchased from Amazon.com)

On 20 Aug 1740, John Bryson received a 200 acre patent in Orange County, VA, described as being at the foot of Great Mountain along county line (with Augusta County, I think). (Virginia Land Patents Book 18 page 721 from Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents Volume IV 1732-1741 by Virginia Genealogy Society). Note: This book can be purchased from Amazon.com)

On 24 Mar 1740/41, John Bryson received a 400 acre patent in Orange County between branches of James River and branches of "Rapidanne" adjoining Edward Franklin, James Cox and Captain Thomas Chew. (Virginia Land Patents Book 18 page 927 from Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents Volume IV 1732-1741 by Virginia Genealogy Society). Note: This book can be purchased from Amazon.com)

On 28 Aug 1746 Michael Pearson received a 300 acre patent in Orange County, described as adjoining George Head, Mr. Zachariah Taylor, John Bryson, James Cox and Edward Franklin. (Virginia Land Patents Book 25 page 179 from Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents Volume V 1741-1749 by Virginia Genealogy Society). Note: This book can be purchased from Amazon.com)

John Bryson made his Will on 13 Nov 1755 in Orange Co, VA. It was not recorded until 25 Oct 1770. He named his wife Ann, his son John Bryson, his daughter Mary Hackett. He named his wife Ann and son John as his Executors. Witnesses were W. Bell, Mathew Davis and Elexr. Steward. (Orange Co, VA Will Book 2 page 424).

I don't know if John lived until 1770, or if there was some other reason for the long delay between his Will and the date of probate. He may have thought he was near death in 1755, but got over whatever was ailing him. Either

Thomas Mosse

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♂ Bef 1634 - 1678 (> 44 years)

Name	Thomas Mosse	
Born	Bef 1634	
Gender	Male	
Died	13 Jun 1678	Old Rappahannock County, Virginia - Probate
Person ID	I028729	Tree1
Last Modified	14 Jul 2018	

Father	Family Mosse	
Family ID	F17445	Group Sheet | Family Chart

Family	Elizabeth MNU Mosse, **d.** 23 Jan 1683/84, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia - Probate	
Married	Bef 1676	Old Rappahannock County, Virginia
Children	1. Elizabeth Mosse, **b.** Bef 1670, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia 2. Frances Mosse, **b.** Bef 1675, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia	
Last Modified	14 Jul 2018	
Family ID	F17551	Group Sheet | Family Chart

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  Wills of Rappahannock County, Virginia, 1656-1692 Page 97.
  MOSS, THOMAS, 31 March, 1678; 13 June, 1678.
  To wife Elizabeth and two daughters Elizabeth and Frances all my goods Chattles Cattle horses mares household stuffe and Implements of household stuffe and all my personall Estate equally to be divided between them share and share alike my debts and funerall charges being first paid.
  To my two aforesaid daughters all my Lands to be Equally devided between them as they shall attaine to their respective ages Onely
  my Loving wife enjoying her thirds of ye Same During her life according to Law.
  Wife Elizabeth Executrix.
  Wit. ABRAHAM STAPP, HENRY MONCASTER
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  Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part I - 1656-1662; Antient Press; pg 44
  KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that we THOMAS MOSS & WILLIAM MOSS of the county (m issin g) for diverse considerations bargaine (missing) sale us (missing) & our heirs for ever a parcell of land (missing) hundred acres unto EDMUND WESTBURY in the County of Rappahanock (missing) & assignes for ever the said parcell of land being part of a Pattent of Six hundred acres of land now in our possession & formerly the land of Mr. ALEXANDER FLEMING said parcell of land beginning at a marked red Oak neer the River side neer the land of MATHEW TOMLYN & thence into the woods according to the Patent North East by North to a great. Pacoson that a small Creek heads in called the OLD HOUSE (missing) along with the said Creek to the OLD HOUSE POINT the said EDMUND To Have and To Hold the aforesaid (missing) for ever from the molestation of any (person or persons) whatsoever from us our heirs or assignes for ever & likewise to defend the (missing) aforesaid WESTBURY from the Dowry of BRIDGETT MOSS the Now Wife of WILLIAM MOSS (missing) said EDMUND WESTBURY granting unto WILLIAM MOSS & THOMAS MOSS & their (heirs forever) free (range) upon the said land both for Catle & hoggs & likewise the said EDMUND WESTBURY (missing) the priviledge from him or them the said THOMAS MOSS & WILLIAM MOSS for (range) (missing) and for his Catle & hoggs to him & his heris forever for the true performance thereof we hereunto set our hands & Seales this 15th Aprill 1659
  in presence of ALEX. FLEMING, THOMAS T MOSS
  JOHN HULL WILLIAM MOSS
  I BRIDGETT MOSS the Wife of WILLIAM MOSS above menconed do acknowledge the Sale of the above said land & thereunto give my full consent. Witness my hand this 4th day of May 1659
  Test ANT: STEPHENS

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Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part I - 1656-1662; Antient Press; pg 163

THIS INDENTURE made this three & twentieth of January One thousand Six hundred Sixty & One between AUGT. BLITHENBURD & SILVESTER his Wife of one party and THOMAS MOSS of the other both of the County of Rappahanock Witnesseth that the said AUGUSTINE & SILVESTER his Wife for the valluable consideracon of Fifteen thousand pounds of good Virga Tobo already in hand receved of said THOMAS MOSS the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge & the further acknowledge to have sould & conveyed and make over Irevocably & Irecoverably unto THOMAS MOSS his heirs & assignes for ever three hundred seventy & five acres & twenty five perches of land as by the Pattent of the said land assigned to the aforesaid MOSS will more at large appear to have and to hold said land with every part & parcell thereof with all rights whatsoever unto him the said MOSS his heires & assignes for ever in as full manner as they the said AUGUSTINE & SILVESTER BLITHENBORD did hold the same and said AUGUSTINE BLITHENBORD (missing) Wife do further Covenant unto the said THOMAS MOSS that they have a lawfull title unto ye said parcell of land and at all times defend the said MOSS his heirs &assignes from any manner of (missing) whatsoever claiming under them & further that they or their heirs or assignes or their ATTO. thereunto lawfully appointed make acknowledgement in Court of the County Court of Rappa. of this their act & ded him Livery & seizen as breaking of ground according to Law the said MOSS paying the quit rents or any other tax that shall hereafter be imposed by lawful! authority

in presence of us JOHN BARRA AUGUSTINE BLITHENBORD

ARTHER GASLING SILVESTER BLITHENBORD, her mark

KNOW ALL MEN that I AUGUSTINE BLITHENBORD of the County of Rappahanock Plante have for my heirs sould & conveyed & delivered unto THOMAS MOSS of the said County his heirs or assignes twelve head of Catle whose marks are hereafter specified the said MOSS having already given me ample satisfacion to content Viit. one Ster of four years old and one three years old done bull three years old and two heiffers both of three yeares old Imarkt cropt of both ears two slitts in the right ear and one cow more called Browning cropt both ears & two slitts on both ears and one Cow called Hippy cropt on both ears and a nick on the top of the right ear & one yearling steer cropt on both ears & two slits one right ear and one Cow called Froggbroth and one called Cherry and another called Young Browning (missing) all their increase for ever to him his heirs & assignes and I the said AUGUSTINE BLITHENBORD do oblige my self my heirs to defend (missing) all persons whatsoever laying or that may lay any (missing) to any of the abovesaid Catle & further promise to acknowledge (missing) deed in the next Court held for the County Witness my hand & Seal (missing) 1661

Test HUM: BOOTH. AUGUSTINE BLITHENBORD

RICHARD STOKES

Recordat 8 Martii 1661 p WA GRANGER Cl Cur Rappa

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Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part II - 1662-1664; Antient Press; pg 248

TO ALL MEN I Sr WILLIAM BERELEY Ent. Governour and Capt. Generall of Virga send greeting. Whereas &c Now know ye that I sd Sr. WILLIAM BERKELEY Ent Goverour &c. do with the consent of the Councell of State accordingly give & grant unto ROBERT TOMLYN four hundred acres of land being on the N. side of RAPPAHANOCK RIVER begining at a marked red Oak nigh a swamp at the head of a small creek which devideth the lands of SAMLL NICHOLLS & THOMAS & WILLIAM MOSS & Extendeth it self 320 perches for breadth N. & through the aforesd Swamp to a marked red Oak thence F a mile & lastly S. the aforsd breadth to the Miles End first menconed being a quadran die the sd land being formerly granted unto the sd ROBERT TOMLYN by Patten t dated the 7th of March 1655 & now renewed in his Matys name according to an Order of the Quarter Court to have and to hold paying &c Given at JAMES CITY under my hand & seal of the Colony the tenth day of September 1663 in the fifteenth year of the Reign of Sovrn Lord LING CHARLES the Second

WILLIAM BERKELEY

KNOW ALL MEN that I ROBERT TOMLYN of the County of Rappa. for the consideration of Three thousand pounds of Tobacco and cask to me paid by WALTER GRANGER do assigne and sell unto the sd WALTER GRANGER his heirs and assignes all land menconed in the within written Pattent any right title interest whatsoever to the same To have and to hold the sd land menconed in the within written Pattent to him the said WALTER GRANGER his heirs and assignes for Ever in large and ample manner as the same was granted unto me with warranty agt. all persons whatsoever ciaimeing from or under me. In Witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 7th day of October 1663

in ye presence of us RICHD WEBLEY. ROBERT TOMLYN

ROBERT GOODYEAR

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Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part II - 1662-1664; Antient Press; pg 252

KNOW ALL MEN that I WALTER GRANGER of the County of Rappa. for the sume of Eighteen hundred pounds of good Tobacco & cask to me paid by WM. BRUCE of the same County have sold unto the sd WM. BRUCE his heirs and assignes the moiety or halfendeale of Four hundred acres of land being in the County afd. on the North side of RAPPA. RIVER being the land formerly SAMUELL NICHOLLS deced and

likewise the land of THOMAS & WILLIAM MOSS which land was granted by Pattent unto ROBERT TOMLYN dated the tenth day of September 1663 & by him assigned unto me the sd WALTER GRANGER as by the assignmt. dated the seaventh of October appeareth have and to hold the sd Moiety or halfendeal of the said Four hundred acres of land wth the apprtenances unto the sd WILLIAM BRUCE his heirs & assignes for Ever the sd WILLIAM BRUCE paying the Rents & Services due & the sd WALTER GRANGER Both promise that sd WILLM BRUCE hereafter shall enjoy the premises granted without denyall of the said WALTER GRANGER or any persons whatsoever under him. In Witness I the sd WALTER GRANGER have sett my hand & seal the second day of November 1663
in presence of us ALLEX FLEMING, W. GRANGER
JOHN CATLETT
WITNESS these presents that I FRANCES GRANGER the Wife of WALTER GRANGER do by these presents appoint Capt. JOHN WEIR my lawfull Attorney to surrender and yeald up. unto WILLIAM BRUCE for ever all my right in the moiety of Four hundred acres of land granted by my Husband unto WILLIAM BRUCE his heirs and assignes for Ever as by the Deed dated with these presents appeareth & wt. my sd Atto. shall lawfully do, I will confirme. Witness my hand the second day of November 1663
Test WM. BRUCE. FRANCES GRANGER
Recorded the 6th November 1663 p me W, GRANGER Cl Cur Com Rappa
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1699-1701 Essex Co VA Deed & Will Book; Antient Press: (Page 38)
TO ALL TO WHOM these pr:sents shall come I JOHN WOOD of ye Parish of Sittenborne in ye County of Essex within ye Colony of Virginia, Planter, send greeting Now Know ye that I ye sd. JOHN WOOD as well for ye good will love & affection wch: I have unto my loveing Grandchild, JNO: WOOD, Sonne of HENRY WOOD deced, as alsoe for divers other considerations hath given unto him ye sd JNO: WOOD all that parcell of land being in ye Parish & County aforesd. containing One hundred & seventy acres wch: sd. tract of land I purchased of ROBERT & THOMAS MOSS as by Assignment of a Deed of Sale bearing date ye 11th day of July 1674; And also twenty & nine acres of land more granted to me by Patent bearing date ye 3d day of Octobr: 1690, adjoyning to ye aforesd. One hundred & seventy acres wch: sd. Conveyance & Patten together containes One hundred Ninety & nine acres bounded as will appear by ye aforesd. Conveyance & Patent relation being had together wth: all appurtenances & alsoe all ye Estate, tight to ye same which sd tracts or parcells of land are now in ye occupation of CASANDER WOOD, Widow, and Mother of ye sd JOHN WOOD, To have & to hold ye sd parcells of land wth: all houses orchards gardens & other ye premisses unto ye sd JNO. WOOD & ye heirs of his body lawfully to be begotten for ever And if it soe happen ye sd JNO. WOOD dye without issue then I give ye aforesd. land to his Brother, HENRY WOOD, & his heirs lawfully to be begotten forever & if ye sd HENRY should dye without such lawful! heir then to ELIZ: WOOD, Sister of ye sd JOHN & HENRY WOOD and her heirs lawfully begotten for ever, And if it happen that ye sd ELIZ: WOOD should dye without such lawfull heir as aforesd. then after ye decease of CASANDER WOOD (Mother of ye aforesd, JOHN, HENRY & ELIZA) 1 give ye aforesd. land unto my Sonne, THOMAS WOOD, & his heirs lawfully to be begotten And ye said JNO: WOOD for himselfe and his heirs ye sd parcel! of land hereby granted & sold wth: the appurtenances unto ye sd JNO: WOOD his heirs & assignes and ye heirs of his body lawfully to be begotten forever against him ye sd JNO: WOOD and all other p:sons wt:soever claiming under him In Wiliness whereof ye sd JOHN WOOD, Grand Father of ye above named JOHN, HENRY &ELIZABETH WOOD, hath hereunto sett his hand and affixed his seale ye 10th day of May 1700
Signed sealed & delivered in ye presence of us
JOHN PEATLE, JOHN WOOD
THOMAS MUNDAY
JOHN SPIRES
Acknowledged in Essex County Court ye 10th day of May 1700 truely recorded
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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 3; Pg 299
ROBERT, THOMAS & WILLIAM MOSS, Brothers, 800 acs. Lancaster Co. in the freshes of the Rappa. Riv. on the S. side; 20 Nov. 1654, p. 309. Beg. at a creek dividing this & land of John Wyere, etc. Trans. of 16 pers.*
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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 344
ROBERT, THOMAS & WILLIAM MOSSE, Brothers, 800 acs. Lancaster Co., I2 Apr. I657, p. 88, (I28). On S. side the freshes of Rappa. Riv., beg. on N. W. side of a creek dividing this & land of Jno. Wiere. Formerly granted unto sd. Brothers 20 Nov. I654. Renewed 23 Mar. I659 & again renewed 20 Feb. 1662.
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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 386
ROBERT TOMLIN, 400 acs. on N. side of Rappa. Riv., 7 Mar. 1658, p. 258, (360). Beg. at the head of a small creek dividing this & lands of Samuell Nicholls & Thomas & William Mosse, Trans. of 8 pers: Robert Foote, Jeremy Sparrow, Wm. Home, Wm. Fiddewent, Robert Acon, Tho. Maulin, Jno. Cainn (?), An Coulton. Renewed 11 Feb. 1663.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 394

WM. HALL, 573 acs. & 122 perches, in the freshes of Rappa. Riv. on S. side of Occapason Cr. & nigh land of John Barrow. 23 Mar. 1660, p. 288, (393). 300 acs. by purchase from Richard Lawson & residue for trans. of 6 pers; The rites being for 6 pers. assigned by Tho., Robert & Wm. Mosse. Due upon a patent renewed by new rites.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 394

ROBERT, THOMAS & WM. MOSSE, 800 acs. Rappa. Co., 24 Mar. 1660, p. 288, (393). On the S. side of the freshes of Rappa. Riv., beg. on N.W. side of a creek dividing this & land of John Weire. Granted them by patent dated 12 Apr. 1657, renewed & due for trans. of 16 pers: Georg Johnson, Wm. Smithson, Wm. Wilson, Cornelius Clynton, Elizabeth Turrey, Derrick Arrison. Note: 500 acs. assigned to John Barrow being due on a patent of 500 acs. renewed by new rites.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 388

AUGUSTINE BLITHENBERGE, (Blitheberd) 375 acs. & 25 perches on S. side of Rappa. Riv. bet. lands of Mr. Brice & Mr. Richard Lawson. 7 Mar. 1658, p. 266, (367). 350 acs. granted to Robert Tomlin 9 Mar. 1655 & assigned unto sd. Blithenbirge & 25 acs. for trans. of James Jones. Renewed 20 Feb. 1662 in name of Thomas Mosse, to whom it was assigned.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS; Patent Book 9 page 96

JOHN SALMON, PLACE POWELL, & WM. POWELL, 427-1/2 .acs., Essex Co; S. side of the river, on bts. of Ekepace Cr; 2 May 1705, p. 667. Beg, near the back road; adj. Col. Catlett; Richd. Good; 520 acs. of Wm. Moseley, granted 1 Nov. 1656; & land of Robert & Thomas Moss, &c. Granted Wm. Moseley, 18 Apr. 1670, deserted, & now granted by order, &c. Trans. of 9 pers: Symond Holland, Wm. Harsell, Geo. Violett, Cha. Colgin, John Birk, Gilliam Scallin, John Cambell, Fra. Brooks, Anne Violett.

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 8; Pg 355

WM. BENDRY, 500 acs., (as marrying Elizabeth the dau. of Tho. Moss) Rappa. Co; on S. side the River; 23 Oct. 1690, p. 114. Formerly belonging to Augustin Bleydenburgh, an alien, who sould to sd. Moss, & by reason, of being an alien & neither naturalized nor denizized he could make no title in fee to sd. Moss for that his lands must escheat to his most Excellent Majesty; sd. land granted to sd. Moss, by way of escheat. 6 Oct. 1675. Including 125 acs. than expressed in pattent to sd. Moss, dated 20 Feb. 1662. Imp. of 10 pers., whose names are in this & the other records: Elizabeth Crow, Thomas Bradburn, Elizabeth Bowel].

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Janet Ariciu family Bush

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Most folks have Family Tree but I have a Family Bush. A bush can limbs that brake off and become Tumble Weeds and move around for years. I am all always researching and up dating. Come back and visit when you can sit a spell

- *ID:* I14819
- *Name:* John Meador
- *Given Name:* John
- *Surname:* Meador
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 1660 in Charles Parish, York Co., Crown Colony Of Virginia
- *Death:* 21 Nov 1721 in Essex, Virginia
- *_PPEXCLUDE:*
- *_UID:* F2D6012979A845FAA9E85A216DF527A88F17
- *Change Date:* 5 Jan 2015 at 06:57
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John Meador, was less than ten years old, and records do not reveal the details of how his step-father, Henry Awbrey, fared during these times. But it is a matter of record that Col. Thomas Goodrich and his son Benjamin were supporters of Bacon, for which they were fined 50,000 pounds of tobacco each and ordered to recant before the court with a rope about their necks. This Col. Goodrich did, but with a token cord instead of a rope, to demonstrate his contempt for the Governor's orders.

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NOTE: Lancaster later named Rappahannock, then Essex.
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Father: Thomas "Orphan" Meador b: 1640 in Virginia
Mother: Sarah b: Abt 1638 in , , Virginia

Marriage 1 Elizabeth White b: 1660 in Essex, Virginia

- *Married:* Jul 1677-1678 in Essex, Virginia
- *Note:*

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  U.S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900
  Name: Elizabeth White Gender: female Birth Year: 1660 Spouse Name: John Meadows Meador Spouse Birth Place: VA Spouse Birth Year: 1658
  Marriage Year: 1677 Marriage State: VA

  1677 Meador, John m'd Elizabeth, daughter of Richard White

- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. Richard Meador b: 1678-1679 in Old Rappahannock , Virginia
2. Thomas Meador b: Abt 1680 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
3. Elizabeth Meador b: 1682-1685 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
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6. Hope Meador b: 1690 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
7. Esther Or Hester Meador b: 1691 in Essex, Virginia

Marriage 2 Mary Aubrey b: 1681 in Virginia

- *Married:* 16 Dec 1697 in Essex, Virginia
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  Victor Paul Meador in his book states that John Meador married as his 2nd wife Awbrey

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Children

1. Dinah Meador b: Abt 1697 in Essex, Virginia
2. Jonas Meador b: 1698-1700 in Old Rappahannock, Essex . Virginia
3. Mary Meador b: 1700 in Essex, Virginia
4. Joshua Joel Meador b: Abt 1702 in Essex, Virginia
5. Job Meador b: 1704-1707 in Essex, Virginia
6. Jason Meador b: 1707 in Essex, Virginia

(3) John Meador

As indicated in the preceeding chapter on (2) Thomas Meador, no documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meador, Orphan, and Thomas Meador the Younger are one and the same. This includes the lack of evidence to define that John Meador, the son of Thomas Meador, Orphan, and John Meador, the only son of Thomas Meador the Younger and Sarah Meador, were the same. Nonetheless, as pointed out in that chapter, it appears that those facts which are known fit better with the conclusion that Thomas Meador, Orphan, was also known as Thomas Meador the Younger. In the same sense, the known facts point quite conclusively that the John Meador who was the son of Thomas and Sarah Meador was the same John Meador, son of Thomas, Orphan, who inherited the grants on Hoskins Creek.

On that basis, it would appear that this John Meador probably was born about 1658, because he apparently was of legal age by August, 1679.[1] Thus he probably was about 4 or 5 years of age at the death of his father. Barring evidence to the contrary, it must be presumed that John spent his childhood with his mother Sarah and his step-father, Henry Awbrey, on Awbrey's plantation on the upper reaches of Hoskins Creek. As noted in the preceeding chapter, his mother gave him a yoke of oxen and a gun. Marks for these oxen were registered,[2] and marks for a black heifer were registered later for "John Meadors, son of Thomas Meadors of Hoskins Creek."[3] The two registrations are essentially the same, except that the left and right sides of the cattle are interchanged. The strong similarity between the marks also would support the view that John Meador, son of Thomas, Orphan, and John Meador, son of Thomas and Sarah, were the same.

For clarity it should be noted here that the records indicate that only two John Meadors were living in the area of the Northern Neck at this time. The one named above unmistakably was the son of Thomas Meador, Orphan, who held the two grants on Hoskins Creek. The other, a much older man, was the son of Ambrose Meador and was born about 1633. Records of this latter John are found on Peumansend Creek in St. Mary's Parish, an area now part of Caroline County,

and quite distinct from the area on Hoskins Creek in South Farnham Parish where John, the son of Thomas, Orphan, lived.

Of course, John could not occupy the grant lands of his father while a child, but apparently he did so upon attaining adult status. This seemingly coincided with his marriage to Elizabeth White, the daughter of Richard and Addra White. Record of the date of this marriage has not been found, but it must have been between July, 1677 and February, 1678. On the first date, Elizabeth was still single when she signed as witness to a deed,[4] while on the latter date she and John Meador were deeded the plantation of her father, Richard White, "out of kindness and affection" for the care and maintenance of himself and his wife for the remainder of their lives.[5]

Richard White had come from England before December 12, 1654, as on that date he was granted 500 acres in Lancaster County "opposite Nanzemond Towne," an Indian village.[6] Certainly of some means, he had paid for his own passage and that of six others; the headright grants made to him in 1658 were for Richard and Adria White, their son Thomas, and four others.[7] His status is also indicated by the sale of 1500 acres on the south side of the Rappahannock River to Robert Taliaferro in 1666[8] which had been granted by Governor Berkeley the year before. In 1658 he shared with Evan Davis and Samuel Mann a grant for 1000 acres,[9] and in 1664 he received the grant for 300 acres on the north side of Hoskins Creek[10] which became his home plantation. This ground was opposite the grant lands of John Meador on the south side of the creek. In 1670, White sold 130 acres to John Waggoner.[11] His last record was March 3, 1690,[12] when he signed as witness to a deed.

The relationship between Richard White and the numerous other White families in the area has not been established, nor has his connection, if any, to the Whites prominent in the early history of the Puritan Church. Richard and Addra (Adria, Audry) White had at least two children, Thomas and Elizabeth. Thomas was evidently born before the voyage from England, as his father claimed headright for him. He was slain by Indians in a raid on the plantation in 1661 (see the chapter on Indian raids). Elizabeth seems to have been born after the passage to the colony, perhaps in about the same period as John Meador. Richard White described himself as a cooper (maker of tobacco casks).

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John Meador's Deed of Gift

Know all men by these presents that I, John Meador Senior, widower, in ye county of Essex in ye Parish of South Phernam, for ye love I bear to my children that I had by my wife Elizabeth Meador deceased, I doe hereby give them such persell of land that I shall set downe severall by themselves. All ye land that I have on ye West side of a branch that goeth by ye name of a great branch I do give to my son Richard Meador and my son John Meador it shall be divided as I shall see fit between them as near as I can divide it to they and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever. A parcell of land beginning at a Cole Spring by my orchard fence and runnung West and by north till it meets with ye great branch, so along ye great branch till it comes to ye maine swamp of ye creeke, them downe ye swamp till it comes to ye Cole Spring branch, then up ye branch where it begun, being a long neck of land, I do give to my son Thomas Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his owne body for ever. A parcell of land beginning at my uppermost line by John Evans land by ye head of a branch at a marked white oake and running downe ye branch till it meets with ye maine swamp ye branch beeing crooked all ye lands that I have within my bounds of ye east side of that branch being a great deal of old fields belonging to it I doe give to my son Hope Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body for ever. I doe give to my daughter Rachell Meador one hundred and five acres of land that I bought of Mr. Edwin Thacker to she and her heirs for ever. A parcell of land lyeing into the neck the north side of the Creek which my father in law Richard White gave to me by deed of Gift I doe by the virtue of that Deed of Gift I doe give to my daughter Elizabeth Meader ye second neck & my daughter Esther Meader the neck that has ye Housing and orchards to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever. The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of but to ramaine from heir to heir as long as there can be one of ye Meaders found alive, if it ye Lords will to call any of my Sons or Daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to returne to me again to my disposing. I doe reserve & except myself Timber upon any parts of ye land for my own use as long as I live as Witness my hand and seale this tenth day of December, 1694.

John Meader (Seale)

Sealed and dtd. in the
presents of us

Mary (X) Gorbell
Joseph (F) Calloway

At a court held for Essex County Febry. ye 11th anno Dom. 1694 the within named John Meader appeared and acknowledged the within specified contents to be his Real Act and Deed, ye same was ordered to be recorded.

Teste Francis Meriwether, Cl. Ct.

Will of John Meador, Jr.

Memorandum of the verbal will of John Meador Jr. who deceased May 14, 1720 at his own dwelling house in the county of Essex. In his last sickness he called the deponents to be evidence to this his last will, which is as followeth:

Item; I give to my daughter Susannah Meador all my whole estate, but if my daughter Susannah Meador dye before she comes of age or marries, then I will that my sd. estate be equally divided between William Bourne and Thomas Meador & John Armstrong & William Jordan.

Item; I desire that William Bourne and Thomas Meador be my executors and that they take care of my sd. daughter.

Written May the 17th. in the year above written.

Witness to the above will are:

Jno. Allen
Richd. R Gregory
Ann A Bradbury

At a court for Essex County on Wed. 18th day of May, 1720, this noncupative will of John Meador was presented in court by Wm. Bourne & Thomas Meador, the within named, who made oath thereto------being further proved by the oaths of John Allen, Richard Gregory, and Ann Bradbury, witnesses thereto, is admitted to record.

Will of John Meador (Senior)

In the Name of God, Amen. I, John Meador of Essex County, being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and perfect memory, blessed be God, therefore do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in the manner and form following:

First and principally, I commend my soul into the hands that giveth, hoping by the meritorious death and passion of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, to receive full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and offences, and a joyful resurrection in the last day; and my body to be decently buried at the direction of my executors hereafter named. And as for my worldly goods:

Item. I give to my son Thomas Meador, one shilling.

Item. I give to my daughter Rachell Jordan, one shilling.

Item. I give to my daughter Elizabeth Armstrong, one shilling.

Item. I give to my daughter Dinah Tribille, one shilling.

Item. My desire is that my five sons shall keep their own guns without appraising.

Item. I give to my daughter Mary Meador, one gold ring.

Item. I give to my son Jonas Meador a small piece of land joining upon Thomas Evinses land and running up to the church road that goes from my house, then up a (long?) road a small course until it comes to a vale that goes to ye branch, so down the branch till it comes to the forks of the branch where it begins, and from the forks to ye first beginning. And the rest of my land I give to my other four sons, to be Equally Divided, with all my houses and orchards thereon belonging, and I do appoint my two sons Job Meador and Jason Meador my lawful Executors.

Item. I give to my son Joshua Meador one Chest not to be appraised, and the rest of my estate to be equally divided amongst my children and leave to my youngest Sons to be of age at seventeen and I do leave my son Jonas Meador to look after them three years. And that my will not to be in force till my decease,

Witness my hand and seal this 17th. day of October, yr 1721.

Teste: John Meador Senior (SEAL)

Samuel Waggoner
Francis F Poarris
Ann A Bradbury

Presented for probate Nov. 21, 1721. by Jonas Meador during the minority of the executor in the said will mentioned, with oaths by Samuel Waggoner, Francis Pierce and Ann Bradbury.

Inventory of (3) John Meador, Sr.

Essex Co. Will Book 3, p. 287

2 cows & yearling
2 barren cows
1 young stear & hefer
6 head of sheep
1 horse & mare
25 new pewter
42 old pewter
parcell shoemakers tools
parcell of books
parcell of candle stubbs
parcell of tinn
parcel of earthenware
parcell of glass bottles
parcell of old lumber
2 lanterns
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parcell of segitt bootes
parcell of small sillards
drinking glass
looking glass
curing panse & steall
1 warming pan & sinior
3 pare of old wool cards
pare of porbett comperios
1 gunn & lrowring rod
parcell of bowels & trays
parcell of old chairs & table & furniture
1 skillett
2 pare of fire tongs & fire shovells
1 spitt
2 potts
1 cutting knife
pare old baltol
1 brass cord
parcell of old umblott
2 shott baggs & powder horns
parcell of earthen ware
copper pott
2 frine pans
1 spiro mortar
106 pott iron
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his own waring cloaths
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pare of large scales
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2 towells
2 pare of sheares
parcell of old iron
1 chest & lumber
chest & caine
chest & box
2 mills baggs
1 feather bed & furn.
ditto
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parcell of old spools
2 spinning wheels
collar & hames
parcell of olifford
2 parcell of lasts
parcell of coopers & carpenters tools
2 old pads
4 new hames
1 old chest & lumber
parcell of nails
4 old barrells
2 old mills baggs
2 bushells of soft joynter
1 linen wheel
16 lb. wool
parcell of baskoft
2 sadles & bridles
parcell of planks
parcell of banded leather
eddy hook
2 raw hides
old table
1 cart & wheales
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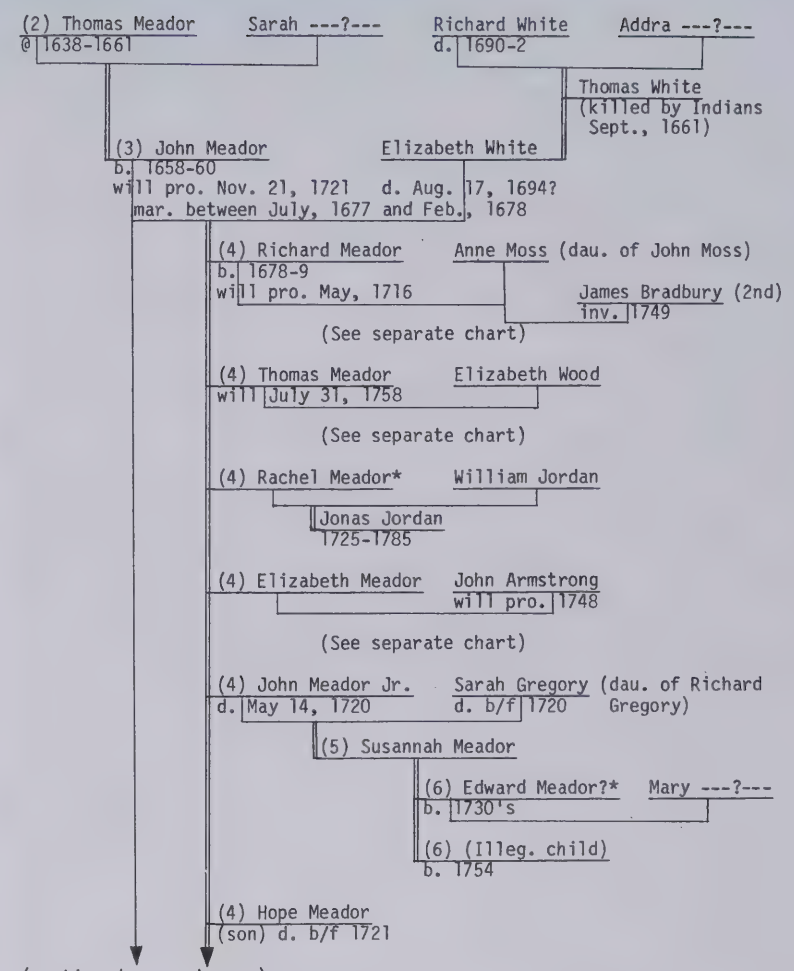

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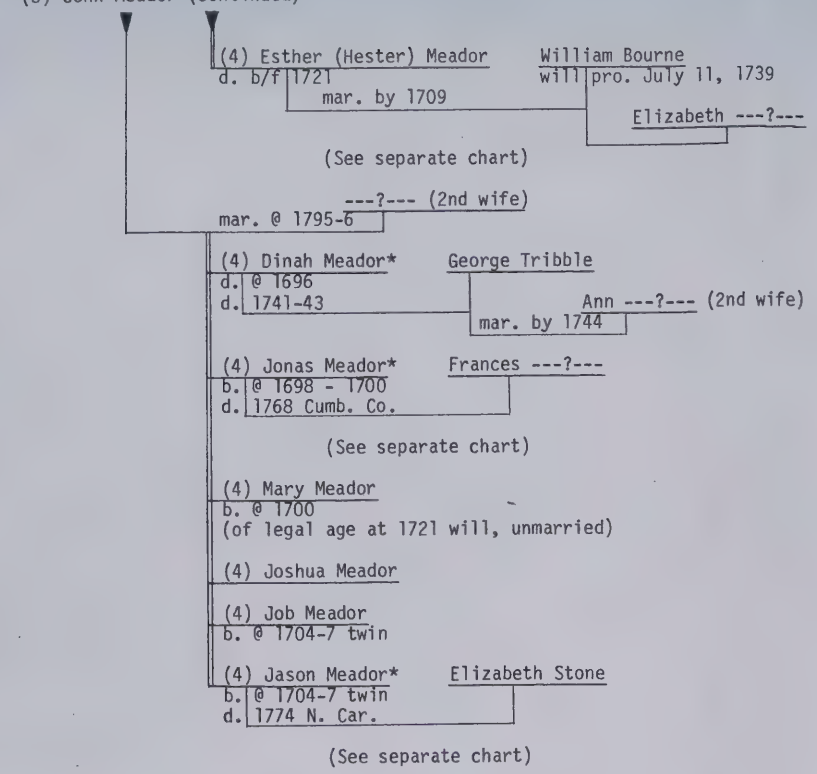

* It is not within the province of this volume to recount the descendants of these children as have been established by the research of others in various areas. See text.

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Mother: Addra

Marriage 1 John Meador b: 1660 in Charles Parish, York Co., Crown Colony Of Virginia

- *Married:* Jul 1677-1678 in Essex, Virginia
- *Note:*

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U.S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900
Name: Elizabeth White Gender: female Birth Year: 1660 Spouse Name: John Meadows Meador Spouse Birth Place: VA Spouse Birth Year: 1658
Marriage Year: 1677 Marriage State: VA

1677 Meador, John m'd Elizabeth, daughter of Richard White

- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. Richard Meador b: 1678-1679 in Old Rappahannock , Virginia
2. Thomas Meador b: Abt 1680 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
3. Elizabeth Meador b: 1682-1685 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
4. Rachel Meador b: 1683 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
5. John Meador b: 1684 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
6. Hope Meador b: 1690 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA
7. Esther Or Hester Meador b: 1691 in Essex, Virginia

About John Meador Sr

John married Elizabeth White in July 1677 John married Mary Awbrey on 16 Dec 1694

reference in 'The Macy Family'

Via

http://www.angelfire.com/wv2/AlfordGenealogy/ME.pdf

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single when she signed as witness to a deed , while on the latter date she and John Meador were deeded the plantation of her father, Richard White, "out of kindness and affection" for the care and maintenance of himself and his wife for the remainder of their lives . "Richard White had come from England before December 12,1654, as on that date he was granted 500 acres in Lancaster County "opposite Nanzemond Towne", an Indian village . Certainly of some means, he had paid for his own passage and that of six others; the headright grants made to him in 1658 were for Richard and Adria White, their son Thomas, and four others . His status is also indicated by the sale of 1500 acres on the south side of the Rappahannock River to Robert Taliaferro in 1666 which had been granted by Governor Berkeley the year before. In 1658 he shared with Evan Davis and Samuel Mann a grant for 1000 acres , and in 1664 he received the grant for 300 acres on the north side of Hoskins Creek which became his home plantation. This ground was opposite the grant lands of John Meador on the south side of the creek. In 1670, White sold 130 acres to John Waggoner . His last record was March 3,1690 , when he signed as witness to a deed. "The relationship between Richard White and the numerous other White families in the area has not been established, nor has his connection, if any, to the Whites prominent in the early history of the Puritan Church. Richard and Addra (Adria, Audry) White had at least two children, Thomas and Elizabeth. Thomas was evidently born before the voyage from England, as his father claimed headright for him. He was slain by Indians in a raid on the plantation in 1661 (see the chapter on Indian raids). Elizabeth seems to have been born after the passage to the colony, perhaps in about the

as a cooper (maker of tobacco casks). "Soon after his marriage, John Meador sold the 320 acre grant of his father to Ebenezer Stanfield , which was inherited by Rebekah Stanfield, and when she married John Williams, Jr. they sold it to James Fullerton . It never again was in the possession of the Meador family. John Meador made the 450 acre grant lands his home plantation, and this was the land later inherited by his children and grandchildren. "In 1689, John purchase from Edwin Thacker of Middlesex County and additional 105 acres which adjoined the 450 acre plantation on the south. He also received and additional 190 acres adjoining this 450 acre tract for the transportation of four persons to the colony . And for the transportation of one more, and additional headright grant of 50 acres on April 21,1690 which adjoined his own land and that of Henry Awbrey on the main "swamp" of Hoskins Creek. "Thus we see that by the early 1690's John Meador held at least 1095 acres of land centered on the grant of 450 acres and straddling Hoskins Creek just upstream from the location now called Cheatwood Millpond (see map). "Apparently Elizabeth White Meador, John's wife, died before the close of 1694. Anticipating a second marriage and wanting to ensure their rights of inheritance, John made a deed of gift on December 10,1695 , dividing the bulk of his holdings

among his children. Through this deed, we learn that he had by this time sons Richard, Thomas. John Jr., and Hope; and daughters Rachel, Elizabeth and Esther. These lands were "never to be sold or disposed of, but to remaine from heir to heir as long as there can be one of ye Meadors found alive". However, we will see that within a few years the major portion of these lands passed into other hands. "The firstborn son of John and Elizabeth was Richard, named for his grandfather White. He is first named in a deed of gift by Abraham Coombe on October 16,1683 (previously reviewed in the chapter on Ambrose Meador). In adult life, Richard followed the "cooper" profession of his grandfather as well. The order of birth of the other children cannot be determined. "All left heirs to receive their share of these undivided lands except Hope, who died before 1721 without issue. The 150 acres given to him would appear to have been the easternmost portion of the 450 acre grant, and reverted to his father upon his death. It is not clear whether (3 (John

was all deeded to those children he had by Elizabeth. "Widower John Meador then married a second time, but the name of this second wife cannot be determined. To this second marriage were born two more daughters and four more sons (making thirteen children in all). They were Dinah, Mary, Jonas, Job, Jason and Joshua. It has been suggested that the latter two were twins, because of the statement in John's will that "they are to be of age at 17", seemingly implying that they were of the same age. "Nearing 63 years of age, John Meador became aware of his approaching death, and made his will October 17,1721 . It was presented in court for probate November 21,1721. The will recognized the surviving children of his first marriage with token bequest s of a shilling apiece to Thomas, Rachel and Elizabeth. The other children by Elizabeth White, namely Richard, John Jr. and Esther, as well as Hope, had preceded him in death. Of the children of his second marriage, Dinah received a shilling and Mary a gold ring. Jonas was to receive a small piece of land, with the remaining lands to be equally divided among the four surviving sons. The disposition of these lands will be covered more thoroughly in the discussion of each of these children which follows. "The last resting place of John Meador and his family is at the present writing unknown. A visit to the old plantation now reveals no trace of the houses of cemeteries that once may have been there. The lands are now occupied by a large wheat field and by thick woods. A thorough exploration of the area may reveal the remnants of these early ancestors which is not apparent to the casual visitor. But certainly this wheat field of today must be the very ground once cleared by our ancestor, John Meador, planter, and the lands upon which he grew tobacco and Indian corn three hundred years ago.

"JOHN MEADOR'S DEED OF GIFT "Know all men by these presents that I, John Meador Senior, widower, in ye county of Essex in ye Parish of South Phernam, for ye love I bear to my children that I had by my wife Elizabeth Meador deceased, I doe hereby give them such persell of land that I shall set downe severall by themselves. All ye land that I have on y West side of a branch that goeth by ye name of a great branch I do give to

divided as I shall see fit between them as near as I can divide it to they and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever. A parcell of land beginning at a Cole Spring by my orchard fence and runnung West and by north till it meets with ye great branch, so along ye great branch till it comes to ye maine swamp of ye creeke, them downe ye swamp till it comes to ye Cole Spring branch, then up ye branch where it begun, being a long neck of land, I do give to my son Thomas Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his owne body for ever. A parcell of land beginning at mu uppermost line by John Evans land by ye head of a branch at a marked whit e oake and running downe ye branch till it meets with ye maine swamp ye branch beeing crooked all ye lands that I have within my bounds of ye east side of that branch being a great deal of old fields belonging to it I

doe give to my son Hope Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body for ever. I doe give to my daughter Rachell Meador one hundred and five acres of land that I bought of Mr. Edwin Thacker to she and her heirs for ever. A parcell of land lyeing into the neck the north side of the Creek which my father in law Richard White gave to me by deed of Gift I doe by the virtue of that Deed of Gift I doe give to my daughter Elizabeth Meader ye second neck & my daughter Esther Meader the neck that has ye housing and orchards to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever. The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of but to remaine from heir to heir as there can be one of ye Meaders found alive, if it ye Lords will to call any of my Sons or

Daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to returne to me again to my disposing. I doe reserve & except myself Timber upon any parts of ye land for my own use as long as I live as Witness my hand and

seale this tenth day of December, 1694. John Meader (Seale)

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t a court held for Essex County Febry. ye 11th anno Dom. 1694 the within named John Meader appeared and acknowledged

ye same was ordered to be recorded.

WILL OF JOHN MEADOR (SENIOR) "In the Name of God, Amen. I, John Meador of Essex County, being sick and weak in body, but sound mind and perfect memory, blessed be God, therefore do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in the manner and form following: "First and principally, I commend my soul into the hands that

giveth, hoping by the meritorious death and passion of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to receive full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and offences, and a joyful resurrection in the last day; and my body to be decently buried at the direction of my executors hereafter named. And as for my worldly goods: "Item. I give to my son Thomas Meador, one shilling. "Item. I give to my daughter Rachell Jordan, one shilling. "Item. I give to my daughter Elizabeth Armstrong, one shilling. "Item. I give to my daughter Dinah Tribille, one shilling. "Item. My desire is that my five sons shall keep their own guns without appraising. "Item. I give to my daughter Mary Meador, one gold ring. "Item. I give to my son Jonas Meador a small piece of land joining upon Thomas Evinses land and running up to the church road that goes from my house, then up a (long?) road a small course until it comes to a vale that goes to ye branch, so down the branch till it comes to the forks of the branch where it begins, and from the forks to ye first beginning. And the rest of my land I give to my other four sons, to be Equally Divided, with all my houses and orchards theron belonging, and I do appoint my two sons Job Meador and Jason Meador my lawful Executors. "Item. I give to my son Joshua Meador one Chest not to be appraised, and the rest of my estate to be equally divided amongst my children and leave to my youngest Sons to be of age at seventeen and I do leave my son Jonas Meador to look after them three years. And that my will not to be in force till my decease.

Witness my hand and seal this 17th, day of October, yr 1721. Teste: John Meador Senior (Seal)

amuel Waggoner Francis F Poarris (Pierce?) Ann A Bradbury

resented for probate Nov, 21,1721 by Jonas Meador during the minority of the executor in the said will mentioned, with oaths by Samuel Waggoner, Francis Pierce and Ann Bradbury.

"INVENTORY OF (3) JOHN MEADOR, SR. "Essex Co. Will Book 3, p. 287

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"THE INDIANS and BACON'S REBELLION "From the founding of the Jamestown Colony in 1607, relations with the local Indian tribes had been a continuing problem. Resentment of the encroachment upon their traditional tribal lands had led to much unrest among the Indians. The massacres of 1622 and 1644 took a great toll of the colonists. As the migration to the New World increased, the pressure for additional land caused the settlers to force the Indians from more and more areas. Despit e many treaties with the natives and restrictive laws by the Jamestown authorities, the occupation of outlying areas continued. "For a time, white settlement was forbidden above the Pamunkey River; later this prohibition was only for the land above the Piscattaway and Totuskey Creeks. But many settlers filed claims upon the choice river front lands, and by 1646-1650 (as detailed in the first chapter) grants were being given along the Rappahannock River on these areas. The river valley was occupied principally by the Rappahannock Indians, with a few villages of Mattaponi, Moratticoes, Totuskeys, Portobagoes, and others. These tribes were forced into the forested lands behind the mile- deep grants. Behind the grants to James Williamson, William Underwood, and the land of Thomas Meads and others on the

villages at Totuskey Creek, Cat Point Creek, and the present site of Warsaw. "Tension between the settlers and the Indians remained high, and there were recurring raids, for which the nearby Rappahannocks received most of the blame. In February, 1654 , a small army was raised, with 100 men from Lancaster County, 40 from Northumberland, and 30 from Westmoreland to meet the threat. They met at the plantation of Thomas

Meades on the eastern shore, and were to march from thence to the village of the Rappahannocks (probably near Warsaw) to ensure peace, without provoking hostilities. The outcome is not recorded, but the Rappahannocks seemingly caused no trouble.

"Not so with the Doegs, the Susquahannocks, and the Senecas (from Maryland), whose numerous raids into the northern colonies caused great hardships during the 1660's and 1670's. One such raid took place in 1661 at the plantation

of Richard White (who later became the father-in-law of (3) John Meador). White's plantation lay on the north side of Hoskin's Creek, opposite that of John Meador. Though Richard White and his wife Addra escaped, their son Thomas White and two men were brutally murdered. An account of the results of this raid, as viewed by a committee of twelve

men, forms a gruesome record . "The ninth day of September, Anno Domini 1661. We, the undersigned, being impaneled and sworn to Enquire into the deaths of the Englishmen lately murthered at the house of Richard White in the freshes of Rappahannock County, we went up to the said plantation and viewed the bodies and found the body of (....) ..amelly massacred in the house of the aforesaid White (....) his skull splitt on the forehead down to the (....) his skull beaten in the side of the head over the eyes. Moreover near the door of the said house we found the body of Thomas White, Sonn of the aforesaid Richard (....) striped naked with his skull beaten in over the eye, also we found the skull of Daniel Pignell Servant to the lord Richard White beaten in the side of the head with and ax as we conceive by the bigness of the hole in the skull, also we found that part of the body of the said Pignell was carried away with Varment but the hind quarters from the loins we found dragged in a swamp by which said consequences of the said action, and by the examination of an English Servant of the said Whites named John Evans that escaped out

do all agree in our verdict that it was the Indians, also by the report of an Indian of Nanzemum named George, a great man of the said towne, that went with us to the plantation the same time when we viewed the dead bodyes -- he told us that the same day that the murther was committed he found the footing of divers Indians going from the said plantation". "Perhaps 300 settlers were killed in these raids. Demanding protection, the settlers petitioned the Jamestown Government for arms, forts, and soldiers. From Rappahannock County was sent a "Petition of 15 Grievances" signed by, among others, Henry Awbrey and Col. Thomas Gouldman. They begged that "the war was the heathen...may be prosecuted effectually and managed in such sort that some Counties may not be totally ruined whilst others live in...peace and quietness, whilst poore Rappahannock lies ableeding whose number of people murthered and estates destroyed can find no parallel in Virginia...for wile we are tending corn to feed our wives and children, the Indians...would butcher us in our fields, they being so frequent about us that we dare not stir from our plantation" . "Governor Berkeley ordered the colonists to band together, ten men to a house, and ordered a 500-man army raised to defend the frontiers. To support this army, a tax of 500 pounds of tobacco per poll was levied. This was a very dear tax, as in that year (1676) there had been a severe drouth and crop failure. An army of 250 men was raised under the command of Major Thomas Truman of Maryland and Col. John Washington of Virginia, but proved ineffective against the hit -and-run tactics of the Indians. "Dissatisfaction with these measures led the colonists to raise a volunteer army of their own, and a wealthy, cocky newcomer from England, Nathaniel Bacon, was chosen as their leader. Bacon's request to the Governor for a commission to lead this army was refused, so he determined to set out on his own. With his little army he raided some "tame" Pamunkeys, then assaulted some friendly Occaneeches, killing 30 of them. Governor Berkeley declared him a rebel, whereupon Bacon seized Jamestown and forced Berkeley to grant him a commission. Bacon then issued a "Declaration of the People", which has since been hailed as democracy" proclaimed a hundred years before the American Revolution. Protesting the colonial government even more than the Indian

shown by the authorities, the monopoly of trade, and the poor defense of the colonies. "Governor Berkeley fled to lands east of the Potomac River, but his fortunes soon changed and returned to Jamestown. Bacon then laid siege to the town, recapturing it, and burned it. Thus matters stood when Bacon died in October, 1676, and support for his "rebellion" faded away . The colonists had been severely divided over support for Bacon or for the royal governor, and this division was pronounced in the outlying colony of Rappahannock County. In reprisal, Governor Berkeley seized much of the property of the rebels, and awarded the loyalists with huge grants of land. Some of the seized property was later returned by the courts, but 23 rebels were hung.

"At this time our ancestor, (3) John Meador, was less than ten years old, and records do not reveal the details of how his step-father, Henry Awbrey, fared during these times. But it is a matter of record that Col. Thomas Goodrich and his son Benjamin were supporters of Bacon, for which they were fined 50,000 pounds of tobacco each and ordered to recant before the court with a rope about their necks. This Col. Goodrich did, but with a token cord instead of a rope, to demonstrate his contempt for the Governor's orders. Since the county court (of which Henry Awbrey was a member) permitted this display, it probably concurred.

"Some support for Goodrich came from Col. Thomas Gouldman (father of Francis Gouldman, who married (3) Mary Meador). Gouldman proposed that half the debt be paid by selling to the government 50 acres of land near Hobb's Hole for the establishment of a warehouse center and shipping port. As Burgess for Rappahannock County, Gouldman used his influence in the Jamestown Assembly and the port was established. Joining in the venture also were Henry Awbrey, Col. William

Loyd, and Col. William Stone. The port was called "New Plymouth", after the Puritan colony in New England, a testimony to continuing Puritan influence in the area, and was so known until 1705, when it was renamed Tappahannock in honor of the Indian villages that had once stood there. It

is still the county seat of Essex County. Thus, some of the families allied to the Meadors were influential in founding this city . "Meanwhile, the Rappahannock Indians had fled from their villages behind the settlers on the east bank of the river

lands were taken up by white settlers, and the Indians could not return. Decimated and broken, though having remained peaceful during the whole affair, their cause was championed by Henry Awbrey, the senior member of the county court. Enlisting the help of about a dozen settlers, they were relocated, probably on Henry Awbrey's large grant lands, where there is a place which is till called Indian Neck.

There is also a Rappahannock Indian church at Beasley; and there are reports that traces of an Indian settlement have been found on the Meador plantation , but no records have been found to this effect.

"Participating in the resettlement in January, 1684 were Henry Awbrey, who served as overseer and go-between as well as furnishing his boat; Robert Tomlin, Jr., who supplied a sloop and a smaller boat; and several men including (3) John Meador. John was reimbursed by the court for 9 days service and the use of his horse . "THE OTHER CHILDREN OF (3) JOHN MEADOR "The greatest disappointment of the present research in the Eastern Virginia counties has been the lack of additional information developed about the remaining children of John Meador. It had been hoped that connections would be found to the many Meadors of the late 1700's and 1800's whose parentage is as yet unknown. But beyond those lineages already established, of Dinah, Jonas, and Jason Meador, no additional lineages have been documented. Perhaps the loss of records in Caroline and King and Queen Counties has contributed in part to this lack of data. The later moves to Cumberland |County have been well documented, but research in surrounding counties of Amelia and Prince Edward perhaps will reveal the links now missing; but that is another project and not within the province of the present work." [alford1.FTW]

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John Meador Sr's Timeline

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1677	July 16, 1677 Age 18	**Marriage of John Meador to Mary Awbrey** **Old Rappahannock, Essex, Virginia**
1679	1679 Age 20	**Birth of Richard Meador, Sr.** **Rappahannock, Virginia Colony**
1680	1680 Age 21	**Birth of Thomas Meador** **Rappahannock, Essex, VA**

1683	1683 Age 24	**Birth of Rachel Jordan** **Rappahannock, Essex, VA**
1684	1684 Age 25	**Birth of John Meador, Jr.** **Rappahannock, Essex, VA**
1685	1685 Age 26	**Birth of Elizabeth Armstrong** **Virginia**
1686	1686 Age 27	**Birth of Hope Meador** **Rappahannock, Essex, Virginia, USA**
1696	1696 Age 37	**Birth of Dinah Meador Tribble** **Lancaster, Essex Cty., VA**
1698	1698 Age 39	**Birth of Jonas Meadows, Sr.** **Rappahannock, Essex, VA**

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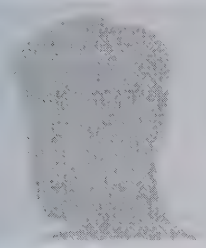

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Birthplace:	Essex, Virginia, United States
Death:	Died November 21, 1721 in Essex, Virginia, United States
Immediate Family:	Son of Thomas Meadows "The Immigrant" and Sarah Yates Sarah Meador Husband of Elizabeth Meador; Frances Meador and Mary Ann Awbrey Father of Richard Meador, Sr.; Rachel Jordan; John Meador, Jr.; Elizabeth Armstrong; Hope Meador and 7 others Brother of Thomas the orphan Meador, Jr; Ann Meador; Mary Meador Kindred-Hobbs; John Meadows Meador; Susannah Meador and 2 others
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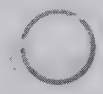

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Elizabeth Armstrong
daughter

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first due & of right accustomed and I the said ROBERT SISSON do for me my heirs promise with the said QUINTAN SHERMAN his heirs & assignes shall at all times hereafter quietly & peaceably hold occupy & enjoy the said Premises by these presents granted with the appurtenances without the Incumbrance or denyal of me the said ROBERT SISSON my heirs or assignes or of any other person or persons whatsoever & I the said ROBERT SISSON do for me my heirs & admrs. promise grant & agree with the said QUINTAN SHERMAN his heirs & assignes by these presents that I ye said ROBERT SISSON my heirs shall & will at all times hereafter warrant & defend the said Premises by these presents granted with the appurtenances unto the said QUINTAN SHERMAN his heirs & assigns for ever agt all persons whatsoever. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 2 January 1663

ROBERT SISSON seal
AMY ⚹ SISSON seal

Acknowledged in Court die Second 1663

p. 109 THESE PRESENTS Witnesseth that I QUINTAN SHERMAN of the County of Rappa. in Virga. Planter for & in consideration of the sum of Five thousand five hundred pounds of tobacco & Caske to me in hand paid or by bills secured of ANDREW HERBERT of the same County have & do assign transfer & make over all my right title & Interest of ye within specyfied conveyance unto the said ANDREW HERBERT To have & to hold the Premises & every part thereof to him & his heirs from me & my heirs for evr. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 5th day of 8br 1665 in presence of us THOS. FRESHWATER, QUINTAN+ SHERMAN seal
ROBT. DAVIS
Recognitr in Cur Com Rappa 3 die 9bris 1665

p. 109 The Names of the Gentn. of the VESTRY of the PARISH of FARNHAM in Rappa. County as they were sworn the third day of November 1665
Vizt Mr. FRANCIS DOUGHTY, Minister

Lt. Coll. THOMAS GOODRICH	JAMES SAMPFORD
ANTHO. NORTH	JOHN GRIGORY
THOMAS BUTTON	ROBERT BAYLEY
THOS. ROBINSON	JOHN WILLIAMS

Recordd. this x die 9bris 1665.
p. ROBT. DAVIS Cl Cur

p. 110 The Mke of JOHN MEADERS Son of THOMAS MEADERS upon HODGKINS CREEK one black heiffer one calf black coloured One Sow Pigg this mark is the flower de luce on the left ear & on the right ear a half moon & a slitt this to be recorded for JOHN MEADERS with both male & female increase

The Mke of the hoggs & Catle of GREGORY GLASCOCKE Vizt. the right ear beginning at the root & cutt tapering the top of the underside of the right ear cut tapering from the root to the top cutting the top of the upper side of the left ear cut in the same form
Recorded 22 Febry 1665 pr RD Cl Cur

p. 110 The mrk of THO. GLASCOCKE is the same Mrk as his Brot. GRIGY. only with two nicks under the left ear
Recorded 22 Febry 1665 pr RD Cl Cur

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(OLD) RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY, VIRGINIA
DEEDS & WILLS NO. 1
3 July 1665 to 6 June 1677

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acres of land unto sd JOHN SHAW & GEORGE ANDERTON their heires & assignes forever wth warranty from us ye RICHARD JONES & GEORGE TURNER or heires or assignes or any persons clayming from us, and doe further obleige us to defend & indemnifie ye sd JOHN SHAW & GEORGE ANDERTON from all former sales whatsoever & any further assurances will make of ye prmises as shall be required by them or their Learned Coun=sell in ye Law. In Witness whereof wee ye sd RICHARD JONES & GEORGE TURNER have sett our hands & seales ye 12th day of Decembr: 1674

in prsence of THOS: MARTIN. RICHARD R JONES
GEORGE K KEFELL AVIS W JONES
GEORGE 𝔇 TURNER
ELIZ: 𝔂 TURNER

Recognitr in Cur Com Rappae: 6: die Febr. 1677/8 et Recordatr x8: die

Mr JOHN BAGWELL. Sir. after my love prsented unto you, I desire you to acknowledge ye land unto JOHN SHAW in my behalfe faile not I pray & in soe doing you will obleidge me who is yor: friend to Command

DAVID 8 STRATON, AVIS JONES

Recordatr x8 die Feb: ano: 1677/8

BEE IT KNOWN unto all men by these presents that I ELIZABETH TURNER, ye Wife of GEORGE TURNER, in ye County of Rappae: doth make & give leave unto Capt. EDMUND CRASE to be my true & lawfull Attorney to acknowledge a peice of land conteyning Five hundred acres of land being sold by GEORGE TURNER to JOHN SHAW & GEORGE ANDERTON As Witness my hand & seale this being ye fifth day of February in ye yeare of or: Lord 1677

HUMPHREY WHEELER, ELIZ: + TURNER
THO. T SELLERS

Recordatr x8 die Febr: Ano. 1677/8

KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that I JOHN SHAW of ye County of MIDDLESEX, Planter, doe assigne all my right & title of this wthin mentioned Bill of Sale from me my heires or assignes for ever unto THOMAS CELLARS of ye County of GLOSTER, Carpenter, to him his heires & assignes for ever as Witness or: hands this sixteenth day of January One thousand Six hundred Seventy & foure

Teste HENRY GUNTER, JOHN I SHAW
GEORGE R ANDERTON ANNE I SHAW

Recognitr in Cur Com Rappae: 6 die Febr: Ano: 1677/8

pp. 156-157 KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that I RICHARD WHITE of Rappae: County in Virginia, Cooper, out of ye kindness & affection I have & beareth my Sonne in Law, JOHN MEADOR, who married my Daughter, ELIZABETH WHITE, have given & forever made over & by these presents doe give unto ye sd JOHN MEADOR & ELIZABETH his now Wife & theire heires fover, all that my Plantation I now live upon together wth all my real & personall Estate in ye County aforesd. To have & enjoy ye same from & after ye day of death & decease of me ye sd RICHARD WHITE & MARY my now Wife to him ye sd JOHN MEADOR first paying all such debts as I shall justly happen to owe at ye time of my death & decently burying me & my Wife, And during ye naturall lives of me & my now Wife, I doe give my sd Sonne, JOHN, free liberty to cleare & make use of any part of my said Devident of land to plant tobacco or Corne upon & to what houses thereon he please, & it is my desire that this Deed of Gift be recorded in ye County Court records of Rappae: aforesd. as Witness my hand & seale this 4th day of February Ano: Dom: 1677/8

Signed Sealed & delivered RICHARD M WHITE
in ye prsence of EDMUND CRASE
PH: PENDLETON
Recordatr xx5 die Febr. 77/8

pp 157-158 TO ALL CHRISTIAN PEOPLE to whom these prsents shall come MAXFIELD WALTER of ye Citty of BRISTOLL, Chirugion, sendth Greeting in our Lord God Everlasting Whereas ye sd MAXFIELD WALTER & ARTHUR GRANT of ye same Citty did lately purchase to them their heires forever of & from MARGARET WARREN, Widdow, (ye Relict & Administratrix of DAVID WARREN deced), & from their three Daughters, MARY WARREN, ANNE WARREN & ALICE WARREN, a certain Plantacon & parcell of land being within the Country of Virginia (Vizt) The Plantation conteyning Six hundred Fifty & three acres of land being on the North side of Rappa. River, bounded & expressed by limitts & boundaries as in their Deed indented bearing date ye thirtieth day of Aprill in ye Seaven & twentieth yeare of ye Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord ye Kings Matie that now is, by them ye sd MARGARET WARREN & her three Daughters made & convayed to ye sd MAXFIELD WALTER & ARTHUR GRANT more at large appeareth; Know yee now that ye said MAXFIELD WALTER for a valuable consideration & sume of ready money to him paid by ye sd ARTHUR GRANT doth hereby release & forever quit clayme for him & his heires to ye sd ARTHUR GRANT & his heires, all his moyetie Interest clayme & demand to ye sd Lands & prmises whatsoever to ye said MAXFIELD & ARTHUR granted by the Deed before mentioned & ye rights thereof to have & enjoy all ye same to ye said ARTHUR GRANT his heires & assignes to his & their sole use wthout any disturbance by ye sd MAXFIELD WALTER or his heires or any other by this title, neither he ye sd MAXFIELD nor his heires may hereafter have clayme to any estate right to ye aforesd plantacion & premises or any part thereof In Witness whereof ye sd MAXFIELD WALTER hath hereunto putt his hand & seale this thirtieth day of September in ye nine & twentieth yeare of ye Reigne of or: Lord King Charles ye Second of England &c. 1677

Signed Sealed & delived. in ye
prsence of FRANCIS SEAMANS, Notr Publ MAXFIELD WALTER
JOHN I P PITTS, RICHARD WHITTAKER

The Deposition of JOHN PITTS & RICHARD WHITTAKER ye witnesses subscribed to this Deed did see the wthin mentioned MAXFIELD WALTER signe seale & as his act & deed deliver unto ye wthin named ARTHUR GRANT the wthin Deed & further deposeth not, dated this 3d. day of February 1677/8

Sworne before me this 3d day JOHN I P PITTS
of February 1677/8 WILLIAM LLOYDE RICHARD WHITTAKER
Record Comr. Rappae: in Virginia quinto die Febr: 1677

p 158 WHARTONs Deed to BATES Vide pa: 278 Ano: 72
KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that I JOHN BATES doth assigne over all my right title & interest of this within mentioned Bill of Sale from me my heires or assigned unto JOHN MATLIN to him his heires or assignes forever, wth all ye Rights and priviledges as I my selfe had by this Bill of Sale, as Witness my hand & seale January ye 15th 1677/8

Signed Sealed & delivered in ye JOHN + BATES
prsence of us WM: SERJEANT, JOHN W WILLERD
Recognitr in Cur Com Rappae: 6 die febr. ano: 1677

KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that JOHN BATES & MARGARETT BATES doe constitute & appoint my loveing Friend, GEORGE JONES for us & in or: behalfes our true & lawfull Attorney to acknowledge a parcell of land by us sold unto JOHN MOTLIN his heires &

Meador
White

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MARRINER & the other Two unto JAMES FULLERTON) & the remainder with the houses & plantacon be it more or less; I doe assigne from me & my heires unto RICHD. HAILE & his heires forever as Witness my hand this 28th of 8ber 1679

Test CHA: SHEPHERD, WM. ℜ AKRES
JOHN ⊢⊣ PRICE
Test EDMD. CRASKE Cl Cur

I the within named WILLIAM AKRES doe hereby for a valuable consideration to me in hand paid by RICHARD HAILE doe hereby sell & set over unto the said RICHARD his heires & assignes forever all my right of & to the land therein granted (except foure hundred acres by me formerly sold) To have and to hold unto said RICHARD HAILE his heires & assignes forever; And I doe hereby warrant the same cleare of all incumbrances As Witness my hand & seale this third day of February 1679

Test JO: ALMOND WILLIAM ℜ AKRES
JOHN SMITH

Recognitr in Cur Com Rappae: 4 die Febr: 1679/80

KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that I CATHERINE AKRES doe appointe THOMAS GAINES my true & lawfull attorney for me to acknowledge in the Court of Rappak: all my right of a plantacon & land lying on the North side of PISCATECON POCOSON unto RICHARD HAILE ratefying whatsoever my said Attorney shall doe therein; as Witness my hand this 3 day of February 1679/80

Test THO: EDMUNDSON, KATHERINE ℜ AKRES
DOROTHY ⌐ CLEMENTS
Recordatr x die febr: 1679/80

pp. 261-262 THIS INDENTURE made the Seaventh day of August 1679 Betweene JOHN MEADOR of Farnham Parish in Rappak: County, Planter, on the one part and EBENEZER STANFEILD, Planter, of the other part, Witnesseth that the said JOHN MEADOR for and in consideration of Two Breeding Mares to him already in hand paid hath sold from him the said JOHN MEADOR his heires &c. unto the said EBENEZER STANFEILD his heires & assignes forever a certaine parcell of land as by Pattent doth more largely appeare, being in Rappak: County conteyning three hundred and twenty acres of land; scituate on the South side of HOSKINS CREEK and extendeth it selfe from a marked red Oak standing in a NECK by the Maine Run side of the Creek aforesaid and nigh unto a PATH that goeth over the said Run into the Plantation of JOHN GILLET, thence by the runside of the Creek unto a marked Oak on the Westermost pointe of the NECK, thence along the Northermost side of a BEAVERDAM, untill you meete with a line of marked trees that leadeth unto a Poplar by the edge of the said DAM thence with the said Line South by West to a marked Pine on falling ground, thence W. by S. to a white Oak on the brow of a hill thence East N: Ea: to meete with the Westermost line of marked trees belonging to JOHN GRIGORY wch divides this land & the land of said GRIGORY, thence No:Ea: down to HOSKINS CREEKE aforesaid & soe finally pallell with the said Creek unto the marked red Oak first abovemenconed, where the said land begins, wch: said land being Three hundred & twenty acres was granted by Pattent from under the hand of Sr. WM. BERKELEY Anno 1663 unto THO: MEADOR deced and Father of the abovesaid JOHN MEADOR. Now know yee that I JOHN MEADOR doe covenant with said EZENEZER STANFEILD his heires or assignes To have & to hold said land with all rights & priviledges thereunto belonging to sole use of said EBENEZER STANFEILD his Executrs. & Administrs: &c. forever in as large manner as is exprest to be granted in the Pattent to THOMAS MEADOR deceased as aforesaid. Now I JOHN MEADOR doe for my selfe my heires grant said EBENEZER STANFEILD at all times forever hold said land without disburbance of any

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persons whatsoever under me In Witness whereof we have put our hands
in prsence of us JACOB JOHNSON JUNR., JOHN MEADOR
RICHARD M WHITE ELIZB: MEADOR
Memorandum: these words (and EBENEZER STANFEILD, Planter, of the other part) were interlined & then Sealed & delivered in the prsence of HOPE COVEY & JO: ALMOND
Recognitr in Cur Com Rappak: 4 die February 1679/80

p. 262 I underwritten doe hereby freely give unto my loveing Sonne, JOHN MILLS, a certaine Mare colt of about a yeare old of a brown colour with a white blaze down her forehead, marked upon the farr buttock with J M To have use and enjoy the said Mare Colt to him the said JOHN MILLS his heires & assignes forever, with all the increase thereof, As Witness my hand this 16th day of January 1679/80
Witnesses hereunto PHI: PENDLETON JOHN W MILLS
JOANE T MILLS
Recordatr x die Febr: 1679/80

p. 262 March Court 79/80)
These prsents witness that wee whose names are underwritten was called to witness that Mr. FRAN: DOUGHTY did deliver & appoint one good lusty young Cow faire with Calfe, being called Young Brandy, a pied Cow, having a starr in her forehead, having the neare eare slitt & the off eare cropt & slitt, Wee say that said doe & did deliver her for the use of young THOM: WINDOR according to his Brother, ENOCK DOUGHTIES Deed of Gift & the Courts Ordr: wch ADAM WOFENDALE hath, as Witness our hands Anno 1679 Feb: 28: WARWICK CAMOCK
Recordatr 4 die Martii 1679/80 BETHRIDGE her mark ++ HENSLE
I having received a Cow of Mr. FRAN. DOUGHTY according to Ordr: of Court, doe desire that the marke may be recorded being cropt & slit on each eare & over keele on the right, & doe promise to keep the said Cow with all her increase & the male after the said Child shall come to the age of 17 yeares for the use of the said THOMAS WINDOR & look after them as impowrd. ADAM WOFENDALE
Recordatr 4 die Martii 1679/80 HEN: BERRY

p. 263 BEE IT KNOWN unto all men by these prsents that I ADAM WOFENDALE of the County of Rappak: doe for myselfe my heires make over unto THOMAS ARNOLD of the said County his heires a parcell of land about Forty acres lying on South side of GINGOTEAK BRANCH binding on the line of SIMON MILLER, it being of a Devident of land that was taken up of the said ADAM WOFENDALE & JOHN PHILLIPS & doe warrant the said Land to said ARNOLD his heires and assignes forever. In Witness I have set my hand & Seale this 18th of Aprill 1679 Signed sealed & Delivered in
prsence of us JAMES ORCHARD ADAM WOFENDALE
ANDREW A FOY
Recognitr in Cur Com Rappak: 3 die Martii 1679/80

p. 263 KNOW ALL MEN by these prsents that I SYMON MILLER of Sittingburne Parish in the County of Rappak: have sold unto THOMAS ARNOLD of the said County Twenty acres of land & Further I the said SYMON MILLER doe warrant the sale of the said land from all persons whatsoever to the said THOMAS ARNOLD as followeth to him & his heires forever be it more or less, it being for a valuable consideration already received by me SYMON MILLER beginning upon a white Oak butting upon ROBT. PAINEs Corner tree, and soe right across the Ridge to Mr. SAVAGE's Line for true performance whereof

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William Hail
Born on ca 1775 At VA
Died on ca 1822 At Pulaski Co., KY and his (1st) wife
Susannah Maxey
Born on ca 1771 At VA
Died on At
Married on 24 Oct 1797 At Bedford Co., VA
Proofs: CD 029662 (Melanie Nolan): supp on John Haile: Recollec's of Micajah Hail; Marr Bonds of Bedford Co, VA byDennis & Smith, Est of William Hail adm Christopher and Susannah Hail; The Maxeys of VA by Edythe Maxey Clark, Letter from Edythe Maxey Clark, author of The Maxeys of VA.

G8: The said William Hail is the child of
Stephen Hail
Born on ca 1745 At Bedford Co., VA
Died on ca 1815 At Pulaski Co., KY and his (1st) wife
Nancy Arthur
Born on ca 1750 At VA
Died on bef 1815 At Pulaski Co., KY
Married on ca 1770 At VA
Proofs: CD 029662 (Melanie Nolan): supp on John Haile: Recollections of Micajah Hail (see Gen. 8). Will of Stephen Hail. Pulaski Co, KY Ct Orders, pp 533-534 - bond of Stephen Hail sons to administer estate.

G9: The said Stephen Haile is the child of
Francis Haile
Born on ca 1715 At VA
Died on will probated 28 Aug 1780 At BedfordCo., VA and his (1st) wife
Adara Meador
Born on At VA
Died on aft 1780 At Bedford Co., VA
Married on bef 1745 At VA
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G10: The said Adara Meador is the child of
Richard Meador
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Died on w/p 15 May 1716 At Essex Co., VA and his (1st) wife
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Born on At
Died on aft 15 May 1716 At
Married on a 7 Sep 1698 At Essex Co., VA
Proofs: Will of Richard Meador; VA Col Absts Vol IX by Fleet, p. 64 - land of grfather White; dau Addra. Will of John Mess/Moss, Essex Co., VA 1697, VA Co Recds Essex 1697-1699, p. 14 by Sparacio - dau Ann land and extrix. Essex Co. Deeds & Wills 1701-04, p. 92 by Sparacio-Richd Meadors wife Ann Moss.

G11: The said Richard Meador is the child of
John Meador
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Born on At
Died on At and his ( ) wife
Born on At
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Proofs:

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G13: The said _____ is the child of _____

Born on _____ At _____
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Proofs: _____

G14: The said _____ is the child of _____

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G15: The said _____ is the child of _____

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Name of child	Date of Birth of Child	Name of Spouse
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Thomas Meador	1680's	William Cox
Rachel Meador	bef 1694	William Jordan
Elizabeth Meador	bef 1694	John Armstrong
John Meador, Jr.	bef 1694	Sarah Gregory
Hope Meador	bef 1694	
Esther (Hester)	bef 1694	William Bourne

ANCESTOR'S SERVICE

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Name of Service: **Landowner**
Proof of Service: **Old Rappannock Co., VA by April 1662 - 320 ac**
Source of Proof: **Meador, Victor & Bernat. Our Meador Families in America, p. 53**

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Proofs: _____

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6. The said Leticia Dowell was the child of
Micajah Dowell born on 21 Sept 1764 at Bedford Co, Virginia
died at Breckenridge Co, Kentucky on 8 July 1848 and his (first or) wife
Frances Meador "Fanny" born on at Bedford Co, Virginia
died at Breckenridge Co, Kentucky on 10 July 1858
married on 5 February 1787 and place Bedford Co, Virginia
Proof County Court Record, Bedford Co, Virginia
Marriage bond--Micajah Dowell and Fanny Meador--Bedford Co, Virginia
Will of Hambruse (Ambrose) Meador

7. The said Frances Meador "Fanny" was the child of
Ambrose Meador "Hambrus" born on 1732 at Essex Co, Virginia
died at Bedford Co, Virginia w/p 28 Sept 1795* and his (first or) wife
Frances Hix/Hicks "Franky" born on at
died at Bedford Co, Virginia on before Sept 1795 & aft Jul 1795
married on ca 1755 and place
Proof Will of Hambruse Meador (Ambrose)
"Our Meador Families in Colonial America," by Victor P. Meador--Pp. 79-81, 88 and supplement *w/d Jul 1795

8. The said Ambrose Meador was the child of
Thomas Meador born on 1680's at Old Rappahannock Co Va
died at Essex Co, Virginia on will probated 19 Sept 1758* and his (first or) wife
Elizabeth Wood born on at
died at Essex Co, Virginia on before 1758 Sep (not in G Will)
married on before 1718/30 and place
Proof "Our Meador Families in Colonial America," Pp. 79--81, 90-96
Will of Thomas Meador + chart
*W/d 31 Jul 1758

9. The said Thomas Meador was the child of
John Meador born on 1655 1658-60 at Old Rappahannock Co Va
died at Essex Co, Virginia on will probated 21/3 Nov 1721 and his (first or) wife
Elizabeth White born on at prob Virginia
died at prob Virginia on before the close of 1694*
married on ~~between 1676 & Feb~~ before Apr 1677 ~~& Feb 1678~~ and place Virginia Rappahannock Co
Proof "Our Meador Families in Colonial America,: Pp. 51-53, 59-61, 55
Will of Thomas Meador *Pro Dec 1694
John Meador's Gift of Deed

10 The said John Meador was the child of
Thomas Meador born on 1635-38 at Virginia
died at on before Apr 1662 and his (first or) wife
Sarah born on at
died at on after Aug 1694
married on ca 1658-59 and place
Proof "Our Meador Families in Colonial America," Pp. 51-53, 55, 59-61, 45-48

11 The said was the child of
born on at
died at on and his (first or) wife
born on at
died at on
married on and place
Proof

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12. The said ..... was the child of
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died at ..... on ..... and his (first or) wife
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died at ..... on .....
married on ..... and place .....
Proof _____

13. The said ..... was the child of
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died at ..... on ..... and his (first or) wife
..... born on ..... at .....
died at ..... on .....
married on ..... and place .....
Proof _____

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died at ..... on .....
married on ..... and place .....
Proof _____

CHILDREN OF ANCESTOR

(By each marriage, if married more than once)

by first wife,
Elizabeth White

Names	*Dates of Birth*	*To Whom Married, noting if Married more than once.*
Richard	1678/81	Anne Moss
Thomas	1680's	Elizabeth Wood
Rachel	before 1694	William Jordan
Elizabeth	before 1694	John Armstrong
John, Jr.	shortly before 1694	Sarah Gregory
Hope (son)	before 1694	
Esther (hester)	before 1694	William Bourne

Source of Information "Our Meador Families in Colonial America" by Victor Meador, pg. 59-60

ANCESTOR'S SERVICES

(Must be on Approved List and prior to 1 Jan. 1701)

Landowner - Old Roppanock Co Va - by Apr 1662 - 320 ac.

Proof of Service: send a duplicated copy of Document of Proof, not copies from Undocumented Family Histories

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The following form of acknowledgement is required:
Applicant further says that the said John Meador
(name of ancestor from whom eligibility is derived) is the ancestor mentioned in the foregoing application, and that the statements hereinbefore set forth are true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

(Signature of Applicant) Grace S. Conger

Subscribed and sworn to before me at EAGLE LAKE, (City) TEXAS (State)

this 23RD day of SEPTEMBER A.D. 1994

(SEAL)

CINDY FINK
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
December 8, 1997

Cindy Fink
(Signature of Notary)

My commission expires

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Richard Meador
Thomas Meador

MEADER, John: He was born 1647 and died 1715. He married Abigail Tuttle. He lived in NH and obtained a Land Grant in 1656.
Supp. #: 19156, V. 48; 24003, V. 64

MEADOR, John: He was born c. 1658 and died 1721. He married 1) Elizabeth White and 2) __?__. He was a Landowner by 1662 in Old Rappahannock County, VA.
Mem. #: 3793; 9609; 9925; 10370; 14148; 28701; 28702; 28741; 29876; 32021-SF; 34881-SF
Supp. #: 22548, V. 26; 19103, V. 89; 21546, V. 101; 23523, V. 111; 28701, V. 142; 28701, V. 161; 28702, V. 161

MEADOR, Thomas: He was born c. 1600 and died 1655. He migrated by 1636. He was a Landowner in Lancaster County, VA in 1653 and in Old Rappahannock County, VA in 1654.
Mem. #: 35076
Supp. #: 21974, V. 81; 32970, V. 157; 33064, V. 162

MEADOR, Thomas: He was born c. 1636 and died 1675. He married Sarah __?__. He was a Landowner in VA bef. 1663.
Mem. #: 9609; 9925; 15210; 31031-SF

MEARS, Bartholomew: He married Mary __?__. He lived in VA by 1655 and had a Land Patent–1662.
Supp. #: 5908, V. 48; 12585, V. 48; 21046, V. 54

MEARS, John: He was born c. 1670 and died 1747. He married Margaret Garrison. He lived in VA and was an Original Landowner–1693.
Supp. #: 21046, V. 54

MEBIE, Jan Pieterse: He was born 1686 and died 1725. He married Anna Borsboom. He lived in NY and was a Landowner–1690 and a Surveyor.
Supp. #: 15067, V. 35; 23825, V. 61

MEEKE, Guy: He died 1682. He married Rachel __?__. He lived in MD and was a Landowner–1662.
Mem. #: 18444; 19568; 28396-SF

MEEKER, William, I: He was born 1620 and died 1690/1. He married 1) Sarah Preston. He was a landowner in MA in 1664/5.
Mem. #: 17872; 20280; 29208

MEERES, Thomas: He was born c. 1602. His will was proved in 1675. He migrated in 1637. He married Margaret __?__ and lived in MD. He served in the VA House of Burgesses 1644/47, in the MD Parliamentary Comm. 1655-1657/58, and in the Lower House, Anne Arundel Co. 1663/64.
Mem. #: 14253; 26907

MEESE, Henry: He lived in Stafford Co., VA. He served in the Military and was Member of the VA House of Burgesses–1666.
Supp. #: 6639, V. 17

MEGIE, John: He was born 1686 and died 1735. He married Anna __?__. He lived in NJ and was an Original Landowner.
Supp. #: 13964, V. 53; 17530, V. 53

MEIGS, John, I: He was born 1612 and died 1671/2. He migrated c. 1640. He married Tomasin Fry Tamazin. He was a Freeman in 1644 in New Haven, CT and 1669 in MA. He served as a Representative at Hartford in 1647, and as a Constable in 1663 at Guilford. He was one of the Patentees of the Charter of Guilford.
Mem. #: 15909; 17226; 26128; 29258; 29259; 29979-SF
Supp. #: 21216, V. 59; 5576, V 74; 23903, V. 76; 28435, V. 100; 26031, V. 101; 27815, V. 115; 30717, V. 127; 31623, V. 157

MEIGS, John: He was born 1641 and died 1713. He married Sarah Wilcoxson. He lived in CT and was a Freeman in Killingsworth, CT in 1669.
Supp. #: 30717, V. 127

MEIGS, Vincent: He was born 1583 and died 1658. He lived in CT and was a Landowner c. 1654/5.
Mem. #: 27809
Supp. #: 5576, V. 74; 26031, V. 101; 28435, V. 105; 31623, V. 157; 32715, V. 163

MEINDERT, Doode: He was born c. 1610 and died 1658. He was in VA by 1650. He married Mary Great and was a Landowner.
Supp. #: 29185, V. 126

MELL, James: He lived in SC.
Mem. #: 18863

MELL, John: He was born 1677 and died 1737. He married Elizabeth __?__ and lived in SC.
Mem. #: 18863

MELLAT, John Peterson: He died 1703. He married Mary __?__ and lived in NJ.
Mem. #: 13860

MELLEN, James: He was born 1642 and died 1680. He married Elizabeth Denner. He was a Landowner in Charlestown, MA in 1664.
Supp. #: 25909, V. 110

MELLOTT, John: He was born 1658 and died 1704. He married Marie Belleman. He was a Landowner and Blacksmith in NJ in 1693.
Mem. #: [illegible]

MELLOWES, Oliver: He was born c. 1598 and died 1638. He married Mary James. He came to

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Janet Ariciu family Bush

Entries: 87515 **Updated:** 2017-11-28 15:39:14 UTC (Tue) **Owner:** Janet Ariciu
Home Page: JANET'S FAMILY PAGE *Note: You will leave RootsWeb*

- *ID:* I14943
- *Name:* Thomas "Orphan" Meador
- *Given Name:* Thomas "Orphan"
- *Surname:* Meador
- *Nickname:* Orphan
- *Name:* Orphan Meador
- *Given Name:* Orphan
- *Surname:* Meador
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 1640 in Virginia
- *Death:* Bef 13 Apr 1662 in (Old) Rappahannock/Essex, Virginia
- *_PPEXCLUDE:*
- *_UID:* E8D7AC733BC54D8E85650ED6E16F6898D739
- *Change Date:* 10 Jan 2013 at 00:00
- *Note:*

1 NAME Orphan //
2 GIVN Orphan
2 SURN

What is an Orphan? Also referred to as o/i
Ans. Under legal of age (21) who is due an inheritance.

Age breakdowns and categories.

1-6 infant 7-13 puberty, 14-21 orphan Male
1-6 infant 7-11 puberty, 12-18 orphan Female

Though it now means a child without parents, the term«b» orphan«/b» had quite a different meaning in colonial times. Any minor child whose father had died was legally an orphan, regardless of whether the mother was living. Even if the mother remarried and the child lived with its mother and stepfather, the child remained an orphan under the law
http://www.genfiles.com/legal/orphans.htm

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Thoms was call Orphan by Sir William Berkeley, Govenor of Virginia. This could happen so he (the Govenor could tell father from son on records)

The below land records by date of 1663 and if I right Thomas
s would be about 21 making him born in 1632.

Genealogical Records of Some Members of The Meador Family who are descendants of Thomas Meador of Virginia." Daniel Burton Meador
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Grants to Virginia
Meadors as recorded in land office (state capitol) 1663

To all etc. Whereas now know ye that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Viginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador, three hundred and twenty acres of land, situated on the south side of Hoskins Creek towards the head thereof in the County of Rappahannock, and extended itself from a marked red oak standing in a small neck by the main run side of creek aforesaid and nigh unto the plantation of John Gillet, thence by the said run side thirty two poles unto a marked oak on the westernmost point of the said neck thence along the northernmost side at Beaver Dam until you meet with a line of marked trees that leadeth unto a poplar by the edge of the said Dam forty-eight poles, thence with the said line South by West. Two hundred and seventy-two poles to marked pine on fallowing Ground. Thence East by South one hundred and twenty-five poles to meet with the Westermost line of marked trees belonging to John Gregory, which divides this and the land of the said Gregory, thence Northeast down to Hoskins Creek aforesaid and so finally parallel with the said Creek, one hundred eighty-one poles unto the marked Red Oak first above mentioned. The said land being due unto the said Meador for Transportation of Seven person etc. To have and To Hold & Held Yeilding Pay & provided & dated the second June, one thousand, six hundred and sixty-three (June 2,1663)

To all etc. now know ye, that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador Orphan, four hundred and fifty acres of land in Lancaster County on the South side of the head of Hoskins Creek, beginning at a poplar standing by the side of a Beaver Dam near the Indian path and running South by West two hundred and fifty poles. Thence parallel to the dam West by North four hundred and fifty poles to the dam to the first mentioned tree. The said land being first granted to Thomas Browning by patent dated the thirteenth of November, one thousand, six-hundred and fifty-seven (13 Nov., 1657) and by him assigned to John Cooke and by Cooke assigned to Thomas Meador.

Deceased by his will given to the said Thomas Meader etc. To Have and To Hold etc. To be Held

etc. Yielding etc Paying etc. Provided etc Date the ninth of April one thousand, six hundred, sixty-four (9 April, 1664)

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Sarah widow of Thomas Orphan who marries Henry Awbrey.

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Father: Thomas (The Younger) Meader b: Abt 1620 in Virginia
Mother: Sarah

Marriage 1 Sarah b: Abt 1638 in , , Virginia

- *Married:* Abt 1660 in Virginia
- *Note:* 2 _PREF Y
- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. John Meador b: 1660 in Charles Parish, York Co., Crown Colony Of Virginia
2. Susannah Meador b: 1662 in Essex, Virginia
3. Mary Meador b: 1663 in Essex, Virginia

(2) Thomas Meador

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Records of the distribution of the estate of the senior Thomas Meads are missing, so one cannot say just how the lands willed to Thomas and his brother John ended up in the possession of their sister Mary. One could speculate that the lands were traded to Mary for rights to the two grants on Hoskins Creek, on the south side of the Rappahannock River, of which Thomas Meador (Orphan) became possessed.

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The 320 acre grant later became the property of (3) John Meador, who sold it to Ebenezer Stanfield in 1679.[3] The deed states that the grant was to Thomas Meador, father of the said John Meador, thus confirming this parentage. Stanfield devised the property to his daughter, Rebecca, who married John Williams, Jr., and they later disposed of the property, which never again returned to the ownership of Meador descendants.

The second of the two grants was for 450 acres, also near the head of Hoskins Creek.[4] It was first granted to Thomas Browning on November 30, 1657. It was then assigned to John Cooke in 1659, and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meader (Senior). Before this series of transactions was finally recorded on April 9, 1664, Thomas Sr. had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meader, orphan. The above series of actions is recorded in the wording of the grant (see copy). As noted in the previous chapter on (1) Thomas Meads, this 450 acre tract was not mentioned in the will of Thomas Meads, probably because the above actions had not been finalized and the grant issued.

By plotting these two grants (see map), it can be seen that they lay side by side on the south side of Hoskins Creek, with the 450 acre grant upstream (west) of the 320 acre grant, and that they shared a common boundary. Both grants were recorded after the apparent death of (2) Thomas Meador, Orphan.

The 450 acre grant (made to Thomas Meador, Orphan) clearly became the property of (3) John Meador, who divided it among the children of his first wife. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will. A descendant, (5) William Meador, in a deed in 1728[5] and another in 1734[6], continued the lineage from his great-grandfather Thomas Meador through John, Richard, and himself, making the descent of the property and the lineage involved unquestionable. The genealogy of the Meador family from (1) Thomas Meads is thus established to that point.

No documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meader, Orphan, was also known as Thomas Meador, the Younger. Nevertheless, the only other Thomas Meador found in the area at that time was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador, as discussed in the previous chapter. It would appear that the known facts fit more logically with the conclusion that Thomas, Orphan, and Thomas the Younger were one and the same. Particularly, Thomas, Orphan, is the only one who was also the son of an elder Thomas, thus requiring the description, "the Younger".

This latter phrase is found in two documents made by a Sarah Meador in which, describing herself as the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, she declared her obligation to her three children in April, 1662. Such declarations were commonly made by those contemplating remarriage. In the first document,[7] Sarah provided for the maintenance and education of her children, promising them four years of schooling apiece. (At this period, most children received only a year.) In the second,[8] Sarah gave her son John Meador a yoke of oxen and "one gun, seven foot by the barrel," to be delivered to him when he came of age. To her daughter Susannah she gave a red cow called "Cherry" and her increase. To her daughter Mary she gave a black heifer called "Slippery." We learn also that Susannah was several years less than 11 years old, and that Mary was less than 9 years old. Since the marriage of Thomas Meador the Younger (or Orphan) took place no earlier than 1657 or 1658, all three children would have been infants at that time.

No documentation has thus far been found to specify who Sarah Meador then married. Nonetheless, it should be noted that a very prominent, highly influential and prosperous settler of the same area, Henry Awbrey, about this time took a wife named Sarah, who may well have been Sarah Meador, widow. Further discussion on this point will be made later in this chapter. Perhaps older than Sarah, Henry Awbrey is rumored to have married in England; however, no trace of such wife or of surviving children of such a marriage has been found in Virginia records. Sarah is first mentioned as his wife in 1664,[9] when Henry appointed her his attorney to collect debts due him in his absence. She again appears in 1670 as party to a sale by Henry Awbrey and herself of a tract of 300 acres on land on the north side of the Rappahannock River.*[10]

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Henry Awbrey was Burgess of the County Court of old Rappahannock County and was a trustee in the formation of the portion of New Plymouth in 1682 (see the

later chapter on Bacon's Rebellion), which became Tappahannock. For the last two years of his life he was also Sheriff,[17] perhaps an honorary position in view of his age. He received many grants of land for the transportation of persons to the colonies. One of these was for 1050 acres on the south side of Hoskins Creek in 1664, just upstream from the 450 acres granted to Thomas Meador, Orphan. This site became Awbrey's home plantation.[18] Other grants were for 480 acres in 1669,[19] and for 5100 acres in 1679,[20] lying between Hoskins Creek, Piscattaway Creek, and the Mattaponi River; for 189 acres on Occupacia Creek in 1684,[21] and for 1200 acres on the north side of Hoskins Creek in 1688.[22]

The number of children of Henry Awbrey is not completely clear. Some researchers have maintained that there were sons named John and Francis; instead, these appear to have been sons of his brother, John Awbrey. It should be noted that in two deeds in 1690,[23] Henry named Richard Awbrey as his "only son and heir apparent." In one of those deeds he gave Richard 500 acres from the 1050 acre grant on the south side of Hoskins Creek, which portion adjoined the lands of John Meador. When Henry Awbrey made his will in 1694,[12] he named as heirs only his wife Mary and his son Richard.

It appears quite certain that Richard Awbrey was the son of Sarah, because in a deed in 1675[24] Henry gave his son Richard a year-old mare called "Bonny" "until said Richard be 14 years of age." Thus, Richard would have been born after 1661-1662, when Henry and Sarah apparently were married.

When Richard Awbrey made his will, which was probated October 11, 1697,[25] he named John Meador as "brother." Considerable speculation has arisen about the exact nature of this relationship. Some have said that the term "brother" could have meant "brother-in-law," on the assumption that John Meador (for his second wife) could have married a daughter of Henry Awbrey and thus a sister to Richard. No such daughter of Henry Awbrey has been documented. Another speculation has been that Richard's wife, Dorothy, was a sister of John Meador. Nor has such a sister been found. In actuality, Richard's wife was Dorothy North, daughter of Augustine North.[26]

Richard Awbrey also named as "sister" Susannah McGuire, the wife of Phillip McGuire, both of whom were witnesses to his will. A bequest was also made to Francis Gouldman (it has been thought possible that Mary, the younger daughter of Thomas and Sarah Meador, could have married Gouldman, whose wife was named Mary). Thus we find that at least two of the children of Thomas and Sarah Meador, John and Susannah, are named by Richard Awbrey as "brother" and "sister." Actually, it would appear that they were his half-brother and half-sister.

At this time, there was only one John Meador living. As we have seen in the chapter on Ambrose Meador, his son John and his grandson John were both deceased by 1683. His great-grandson John, the son of Thomas (son of John, the son of Ambrose) was not born until after 1700. So we must consider here only the John Meador who was in possession of the 450 acre grant on Hoskins Creek at this time.

In that grant, it is stated that it was being made to Thomas Meader, Orphan, son of Thomas Meader, deceased. As no such father and son pair (both named Thomas) existed in the family of Ambrose Meador, it must certainly have been the Thomas Meads who died in 1655 and his son Thomas. The further descent of this 450 acre tract through (3) John Meador is very clear. This grant adjoined the grant of Henry Awbrey on Hoskins Creek, and particularly the portion given by Henry to his son Richard Awbrey. It is most logical that Thomas Meader, Orphan, and Thomas Meador the Younger were the same, and that Sarah Meador, the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, who made provision for her son "John Meador of Hoskins Creek," was the wife of Henry Awbrey and the mother of Richard Awbrey. Thus the conclusion is virtually inescapable that Sarah was the mother of both John Meador and Richard Awbrey, making them half-brothers. This would explain why Richard called John Meador his "brother" in his will.

Regrettably, efforts to trace the descendants of the other two children of Sarah Meador/Awbrey have proven nearly fruitless. No further mention in Essex records has been found of Phillip and Susannah McGuire. Col. Francis Gouldman became a prosperous and prominent landowner in St. Mary's Parish of Essex County, but when he drew his will in 1717,[27] he mentioned no (living) children. Bequests were made to his nephews, the sons of Edward Gouldman, and to

his niece, the daughter of his brother Thomas Gouldman, deceased. Mary, the wife of Francis, followed him in death a few months later.[28] In her will no children were mentioned, but there was a bequest to Dorothy Billups, who was the daughter of Richard Awbrey and thus her niece.

Two confusing court records of "the orphants of Francis Gouldman"[29] actually refer to the two sons of his brother Edward, to whom Francis had left the major portion of his estate. Therefore, even if this Mary Gouldman could be established as the daughter of Thomas and Mary Meador, the direct lineage ends here. Curiously, no documents have been found relating to any interactions between these daughters, their husbands, and John Meador, nor between John Meador and Richard Awbrey. Such documentation would most certainly have made the determination of these relationships between them much easier.

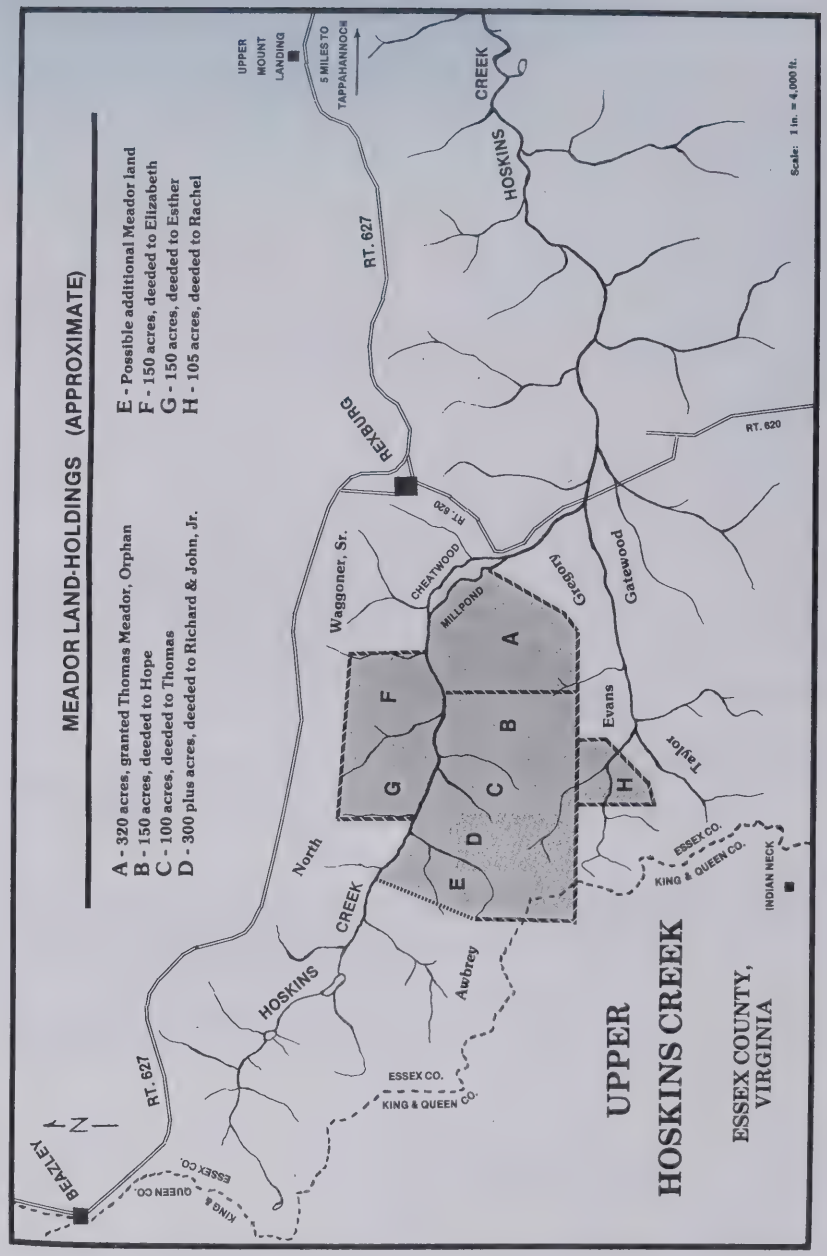
The lineage of (2) Thomas through his son (3) John Meador continues in the next chapter.

The 450 Acre Grant

"To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings;.....now know ye that I, the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meader, Orphan, four hundred and fifty acres of land in Lancaster County on the South side of the head of Hoskins Creek, beginning at a poplar standing by the side of a Beaver Dam near the Indian Path and running South by West two hundred and fifty poles, thence parallel to the Dam West by North four hundred and fifty poles [part of the description left out here] to the Dam to the first mentioned tree. The said land being first granted to Thomas Browning by patent dated the thirtieth of November, one thousand six hundred and fifty seven, and by him assigned to John Cooke, and by him assigned to Thomas Meader Deceased, and by his will given to the said Thomas Meader. To have and to hold [etc.] Dated the ninth of April, one thousand, six hundred and sixty four."

The 320 Acre Grant

"To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings.....whereas now know ye, that I, the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meader three hundred and twenty acres of land, situated on the south side of Hoskins Creek towards the head thereof in the county of Rappahannock, and extendeth itself from a marked red oak standing in a small neck by the main run side of the creek aforesaid and nigh unto the plantation of John Gillet, thence by the said run side thirty two poles unto a marked oak on the westermost point of said neck, thence along the northermost side of a Beaver Dam until you meet with a line of marked trees that leadeth unto a poplar by the edge of the said Dam forty eight poles, thence with the said line South by West two hundred and seventy two poles to a marked pine on fallowing ground, thence East by South one hundred and twenty five poles to a white oak on the brow of a hill, thence East North-East twenty eight poles to meet with the Westermost line of marked trees belonging to John Gregory, which divides this land and the land of the said Gregory, thence North East down to Hoskins Creek aforesaid and finally parallel with the said Creek one hundred eighty one poles unto the marked Red Oak first above mentioned. The said land being due unto the said Meader for transportation of Seven persons to this colony. To have and to hold [etc.] Dated the second of June, one thousand, six hundred and sixty-three."



Will of Henry Awbrey

In the name of God, Amen. I, Henry Awbrey of ye County of Essex in Virginia, Gentleman, being sick and weake in body but of sound and perfect memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory life, and that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call, doe make, Constitute, and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following.

First, I give and bequeath my Soule to God that gave it, in sure and Certaine hope of a joyfull resurrection at the last day, and my body to the Earth from whence it came, to be decently interred after my decease and for what Tangible Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I give and bequeath as followeth:

I give and bequeath unto my loveing Wife Mary Awbrey the Plantation whereon I now live, with all the Orchards, buildings, improvements, and all the Land belonging to it. She not clearing nor tending any ground beyond the Church Road which now is during her naturall life, and after her decease I give and bequeath the said Lands with all improvements whatsoever unto my Loveing Son Richard Awbrey and his heirs for Ever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Awbrey seven hundred Acres of land more, Scituate on Hodgkins Creeke, being part of that dividend of Land whereon he now liveth and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten for Ever, my wife not to Claime any thirds of the Same. Item, I give unto Francis Awbrey, the youngest Son of my Brother Jo^{n}. Awbrey, dec'd., two hundred acres of Land being a part of a tract of four hundred Acres of Land Scituate as aforesaid purchased by me of Coll. Hill and to his heirs for Ever. Item, ye other two hundred acres of Land Scituate as aforesaid I give and bequeath unto Katherine Long, Daughter of Alice Long (att Sheppey?) dec'd., to her and her heirs for Ever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Awbrey one Negro man called Sam, one Negro woman called Kate, one Negro boy called Robin, one Negro boy called Nero, one Negro boy called Zobey, to him and the heirs lawfully begotten of his body for Ever. Item, I will and bequeath unto my Loveing Wife Mary Awbrey five Negros called by the names of Price, Nanny, Will, Joons(?), and Jamy, likewise I give and bequeath to my wife one Silver Tankard and three horses Calld by the names of Thourogood, Smoakes, and Mush, with ye Cart and wheeles, and harness belonging to the Same, likewise I will and bequeath to my wife one halfe of all my Cattle in quantity and quality. Item, I give to my wife one Servt. Woman called Martha. Item, I give unto my Son Richard one Servt. called Miles Dixon. Item, I will and bequeath unto my wife all my Stock of hoggs, She paying after my decease unto my Sonn Richard Awbrey three barrows or Splayed Sows yearly for four years, together to be all of ye age of three years old or more. Item, I will unto my wife one half of my Sheep in quantity and quality. Item, I will and bequeath the other halfe in quantity and quality to my Son Richard Awbrey and to have priviledge to let them remaine here for three years. Item, ye one half of my Cattle not yet bequeathed I give to him and his heirs for(Ever), likewise I will and bequeath unto my Son my black Gelding cald Negro, with two Saddles, two bridles, pistolle, holsters, and all other furniture thereunto belonging. Item, I will likewise unto my Son my pendulum watch, all my wearing Clothes both linen and wooling, all my french gold wearing Shooes, Stockings of all Sorts, and hatts. Item, two feather beds with the furniture belonging to them and Six pair of Sheets, one pair of 'nd Irons, all the parcells of broadCloth for my owne wearing with Buttons,

Silk and other furniture belonging to it. Likewise I will and bequeath unto my wife, all my Serges and Stuffs, Except one parcell of Sad Collored Serge which I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard's wife to make her a gowne and petty coat, be it more or less. Item, I will and bequeath unto my Son all my books, my wife having choice of the three or four for her owne particular use. Item, my will and desire is that all my Kerseyes, Cottons, Canvass, fine linen, and (Cowepe?) that is not made up in garments, plain Shoes, Irish Stockings, and all ye yarn Stockings which are kniting to be equally divided in quantity and quality between my wife and my Son. Item, I give and bequeath unto my wife three feather beds and furniture, one new feather bed Ticking with bolster and pillow Ticking, all ye table linen with all the rest of ye Sheets not before bequeathed. Item, I give unto my wife all the Lumber belonging to the house as bedsteads, Chairs, Chests, all the pewter Brass, Iron potts and irons, except one desk and one Chest in the old dwelling house Loft, which I give unto my Son Richard. Item, I give unto my Son Richard's daughter Mary after my wife's decease Six large pewter dishes. Item, it is my will and desire that my Executors hereafter named be diligent and carefull in the prosecution of ye dwelling house (unreadable) which is to be built by Jo^{n}. Milbourne according to agreement. Item, my desire is that the Brass yall [bell?] be set up on this plantation and not hereafter to be removed. Item, my will is that all ye woole in the house be equally divided between my wife and my Son. Item, my will is that my boat be sold and the produce be equally divided between my wife and my Son. Likewise, two mares, one branded HA, and the Ha, I give equally to my wife and my Son. Item, my will and desire is that before any division be made of ye Sheep after my decease, yt Robert Brooke, Son of Robert Brooke, have four ewes out of ye Sheep. Item, it is my will and desire that Immediately after my decease my Executors draw bills on Mr. Robert Bristow Jun. for 40 od. pounds to be paid Mr. Will Howell, Merchant, and take in my bond. Lastly, I make constitute and ordain my Loveing Son Richard Awbrey and my Loveing Wife Mary Awbrey joynt Executors of this my last will & Testament, in Testimony whereof I have hereunto putt my hand and Seale this first day of August 1694.

Henry Awbrey (Seale)

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
in ye presence
Willm.Mosely
1694
Rob. Brooke

I, the Subscriber, do depose that the within mentioned Henry Awbrey Seale and declare this within written Will to be his last Will and Testament and that he was in perfect sense and memory at ye Sealeing and publishing thereof to the best of ye deponents knowledge & farther saith not.

Will. Moseley

Sworne to in Essex County Court
7ber 10th. 1694

Will of Richard Awbrey

In the name of God, Amen, this Eighteenth day of April 1697, I, Richard Awbrey, being Sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory, blessed and praised be Almighty God for the Same and Considering the mortality of the body do make and ordaine this as my last will & testament. First and principally I commend my Soule into the hands of Allmighty God that Gave itt and my body to be decently and Christianly buried hopeing by the meretorious death and Passion of my blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to receive full Pardon and foregiveness of all my Sins and a joyfull Resurrection att the Last day and as for the worldly goods that God hath lent me I will and bequeath them in manner and forme following, Vist.

First, I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Awbrey all my land and to the Heirs of his body Lawfully begotten and for want of Such Heirs to the next Surviveing Heirs of my Children one Negro called Tom my Sword and belt my Silver tobbo box Eighteene pounds Sterlg. now in the hands of Mr. Robert Bristow in England two Scales of Silver one that was his Grandfathers and one that is mine and is my will that my Horse Portly and my Pendilum watch be sold for money and given to my Said Sonne allso that these bequests be delivered att the age Eighteene yeares and that he be putt to schoole att fourteen yeares old and there continued four yeares and my Great Seale Ring.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary one Negro Called Maria fifty pounds Ster. and four cowes and Calves to be paid her att the age of Eighteene yeares or the day of Marriage a feather bed and Furniture and my Silver Cup the money to be paid out of the Estate I give my wife.

Item I give unto my Daughter Dorothy a Negro Called Robin fifty pounds Sterlg. four cowes and calves and a feather bed and furniture to be paid her the age of Eighteene yeares or the day of Marriage to be paid out of the Estate I give my wife.

Item I give to the child my wife goes with if It live fiftie pounds Sterlg. to be paid out of the Estate I give my wife.

Item I give to Elizabeth Evans my God Daughter a Heiffer Called her Heiffer and all her increase and a young mare in the woods and all her Increase branded HA on the shoulder and RA on the buttock.

Item I give to my Brother John Meador all my weareing Cloaths that's made up as Shirts Drawers Coates breeches and one felt Hatt.

Item I give to Tho: Hucklescott two yards and a halfe of mint broad cloath now in the house and black buttons.

Item I give to Mr. Tho: Grigson a ring of twelve shills price.

Item I give to Mr. Francis Gouldman a ring of twelve shills price.

Item I give to my Sister Maguire a ring of twelve shills price.

Item I give to Phillip Maguire as much mixt Kersey now in the house as will make him a Coate and a new Carter Hatt in the Chest never worn.

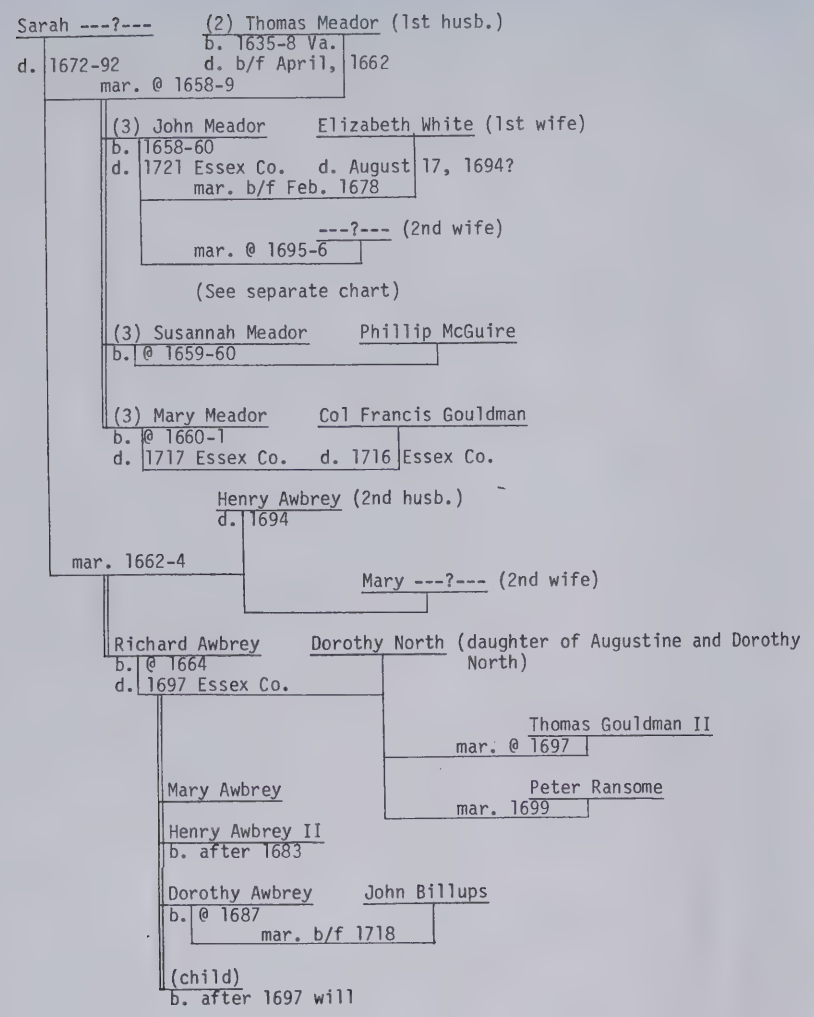
Item I give unto my beloved wife Dorothy Awbrey that Plantation that I now live on and hundred acres of Land belonging to itt dureing her naturall life She claimes no other part or parcel of my Land Six Negroes Sam, Betty, Jupiter, Jack, Kate, and (illegible) and all other my Esatate as goods Chattles Sheep Cattell horses &----------Bequeathed ad I do Hereby make my Said wife and my Sonn Henry Joynt Exrs. of this my last will and testament and do also make ..... desire Mr. Thomas Grigson and Mr. Francis Gouldman to be overseers of this my last will and testament and ..... executed and I allso do hereby disannull and make void all former wills legacies and testaments by me att any time heretofore made and do Signe Seale and Publish this as my last will and testament and have hereunto Left my hand Seale the date first above written.

Richd Awbrey (Seale)

Signed Sealed and Published
the Last Will and Testament
in the Presence of
Phillip (X) Maguires
Susanna (X) Maguires
Tho: Hucklescott

[Proved in Essex County Court Oct. 11, 1697.]

(2) Thomas Meador and Awbrey Family



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Janet Ariciu family Bush

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- *Given Name:* Thomas (The Younger)
- *Surname:* Meader
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* Abt 1620 in Virginia
- *Death:* Bet 1655 and 1658 in , Old Rappahannock, Virginia
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These are for Thomas Meador

Land records

Thomas Meador I

Know All men by these presents that I Thomas Meader of the countie of Rappa.(in Virgnia for a Vallubale[sic]) consideersaon [sic]to me in hand paid by Richard Tomlynson of the same County Planter (have given granted) bargained and sold and coafirmed and do by these presents for me my heirs and assignes give grant bargined and sell unto the said Richard Tomlynson. One hundred and fifty acres of land lying and being on (missing) Rappa River aforesaid and bing part of a devident of thee hundred acres lately given granted and (missing) said Thomas Meader by Ambrose Meader (my father) TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said one hundred and fifty acres of land with all the houses (orchards & c) thereunton belonging and appertaning (missing) priviledges thereunto belonging (missing) according to the tennour and (missing) by the rents and services (missing) unto ther said Richard Tomlynson his heirs and assignes forever against all persons claiming by from or under me the said Thomas Meader (missing) (Ambrose) Meader, my father or his heirs and have hereunto put my hand and seal date this (missing) ammo 1657

Thomas Meader Thomas Meador II

450 ac was granted to Thomas Browning on 30 Nov 1657, then assigned to John Cooke in 1659 and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meador (Senior). Before the transaction was recorded on 9 Apr 1664, Thomas Sr had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meador, Orphan. This 450 ac grant became the property of John Meador who divided it among the children of his first wife (deed of gift-Essex Co Deeds & Wills 1692-1695 p 332) anticipating a second marrige. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will.

What is an Orphan? Also referred to as o/i
Ans. Under legal of age (21) who is due an inheritance

Age breakdowns and categories.

1-6 infant 7-13 puberty, 14-21 orphan Male
1-6 infant 7-11 puberty, 12-18 orphan Female

«b»Legal Age
«/b»http://www.genfiles.com/legal/legalage.htm

Thomas Meador (called orphan) apparently was close to legal age at the death of his father, Thomas Meads in 1655, because he was able to make a legal deed in 1658. Much heretofore has been made of his having to be between 14 and 17 years of age to choose his own guardian, but under English common law, 21 was generally considered to be the age of responsibility. Thus, it must be considered that Thomas, the son, was born as early as 1636 or 1637 to have attained 21 years of age by 1658. This also would appear likely in view of his marriage, which must have occurred about this time.

The tract was still undivided in December 1658, when Thomas Meador Mead es (the orphan) contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Hair e, "that was given to me by my father, Thomas Meades, deceased, and to my brother (name missing) in case that part of the land...shall fa ll to my lot at the dividing of the said land." In actuality, it is fou nd through later deeds that Mary obtained possession of the entire 700-ac re tract, but in what manner is unknown. Perhaps the portion allott ed to Thomas Meador was exchanged for rights to the grant on Hoskins Creek .

Of these two grants, the first one recorded was made to the younger Thomas Meador, of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the colony, recorded June 3,1663. Sufficient data survives to permit the plotting of this tract. The grant shows a peculiar characteristic, in that it requires a southeasterly flowing section of Hoskins Creek roughly 181 poles (2986 feet) long, whereas the major portion of Hoskins Creek flows easterly. Of three possible locations along the creek where it flows southeasterly for that length, one would eliminate by its location two near the mouth of the creek, whereas the grant specified that it was toward the head of the creek. Another is eliminated by its encroachment upon property granted to Henry Awbrey further upstream, which also requires a similar-flowing southeast section. The area best fitting the requirements lies at what is known today as "Cheatwood Millpond". This location is just southeast of Rexburg, Virginia, and seven ! miles west of Tappahannock, county seat of Essex County

The second of the two grants was for 450 acres, also near the head of Hoskins Creek. It was first granted to Thomas Browning on November 30,1657. It was then assigned to John Cooke in 1659, and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meads (senior). Before this series of transactions was finally recorded on April 9,1664, Thomas Sr. had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meador, orphan. The above series of actions is recorded in the wording of the grant
By plotting these two grants, it can be seen that they lay side by side on the south side of Hoskins Creek, with the 450 acre grant upstream (west) of the 320 acre grant, and that they shared a

common boundary. Both grants were recorded after the apparent death of Thomas Meador, orphan.

The 450 acre grant (made to Thomas Meador, orphan) clearly became the property of John Meador, who divided it among the children of his first wife. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will. A descendant, William Meador, in a deed in 1728 and another in 1734, continued the lineage from his great-grandfather Thomas Meador through John, Richard, and himself, making the descent of the property and lineage involved unquestionable. The genealogy of the Meador family from Thomas Meads is thus established to that point.

No documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meader, orphan, was also known as Thomas Meador, the younger. Nevertheless, the only other Thomas Meador found in the area at that time was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador. It would appear that the known facts fit more logically with the conclusion that Thomas, orphan, and Thomas the younger were one and the same. Particularly, Thomas, orphan, is the only one who was also the son of an elder Thomas, thus requiring the description, "the younger".

Nor does the will of Thomas Meads make mention of grant lands on Hoskins C reek, south of the Rappahannock River, possibly because these grants had n ot been finalized. Yet, a grant in 1664 applying to the 450 acres on Hosk ins Creek indicates that the grant had been left to Thomas Meador Meade r, orphan, by the will of his father, Thomas Meader, deceased. Thus, we ha ve evidence that the elder Thomas Meads Meader (Meads, Meades) bought fr om John Cooke this 450 acre tract, which descended after his death to h is son, Thomas Meader, orphan. While this series of transactions was reco rded in 1664 (long after Thomas Meads had made his will and died), it wou ld appear possible that the actions were started about the time Thomas Mea ds died, and were carried to completion later by Thomas Meador Meader, orp han. The fact that he did not yet possess the land on Hoskins Creek may e xplain why Thomas Meads (the elder) did not include mention of it in his w ill. Of course, one could conclude that there was yet another Thomas Meades who was the recipient of the grant. But this would require that the re be a second pair of Thomas Meader's father and son, with the further co incidence that the son would be known as Thomas Meader, orphan. A revi ew of the lineage of Ambrose Meador reveals that such a father/son combina tion did not exist among the descendants. This is a vital link in determi ning our lineage, for subsequent deeds for this 450 acre tract make cle ar that, after the land was inherited by John Meador from his father, Thom as Meador, orphan, the lineage is unmistakable.

In summary, it has been found that Thomas Meads left only two surviving he irs to his property, son Thomas Meador Meader and daughter Mary Meads Hobb s.

http://www.genfiles.com/legal/wills.htm

Father: Thomas Meader b: Abt 1600 in Bristol, Suffolk , England
Mother: Unknown

Marriage 1 Sarah

- *Married:* 1640 in America
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- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2016

Children

1. Thomas "Orphan" Meador b: 1640 in Virginia
2. Susanna Meades b: Abt 1642
3. John Meader b: Abt 1643 in , , Virginia
4. Mary Meader b: Abt 1645 in , , Virginia
5. Sarah Meades b: Abt 1652 in , , Virginia

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Thomas Meador Jr

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Thomas Meador Jr's Profile Family Tree & Genealogy T

Thomas "the orphan, the younger" Meador Jr aka **Meader, Meadows**

Born about 1636 in Northumberland County, Virginia

Son of Thomas Meador and Sarah (Unknown) Meador

Brother of Susannah Meadors, John Meadors, Mary (Meadors) Hobbs, Margaret (Meadors) Meador, Joyce (Meadors) Meador and Ann (Meadors) Meador

Husband of Sarah (Hoskins) Awbrey — married about 1658 to 1662 in York County, Virginia

Father of John Meador, Susanna (Meadors) McGuire, Dorothy Meador and Dorothy (Meador) Gouldman

Died April 1662 in Rappahannock Crown Colony, Virginia

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Biography

Thomas Meador, the orphan, and the younger[1]

Origin

Thomas is said to have been born c. 1636.[2]

Birth dates for this profile have been estimated based on participation in known historical events and/or information regarding other family members. See the Biography for details.

Use with caution.

Thomas was called an "orphan" when his father died in 1655, so we know he was under twenty-one at the time, or born sometime after about 1636. His parentage is proved by documents which state he was the son of Thomas Meador, (or actually Meads).

In 1658, Thomas made a deed selling to James Haire, "25 acres of land, being part of the land that was given unto me by my father,

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Thomas Meads deceased, and to my brother (name missing)."[1] The brother's name, John, which was missing from this deed, was recorded in his father's will.[1]

Family

Thomas married c. 1660 to Sarah Hoskins.[3]

Children of Sarah and Thomas Meador (from Old Rap. Co. Deed Book April 13, 1662, see Sarah Hoskins):

1. John; mar Elizabeth White[1]
2. Susanna; mar Phillip McQuire[1]
3. Mary; mar Col. Francis Gouldman[4]

Tobacco Planter

Thomas was a planter, and he received a grant of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the Colony, recorded June 3,1663.[2] This land description was specific enough that it can be located on a map today. It was described as including a section of Hoskins Creek, roughly 181 poles (2986 feet) long, which flows easterly.[2] By process of elimination, the location is pinpointed at a place today known as "Cheatwood Millpond" which is southeast of Rexburg, and seven miles west of Tappahannock, the county seat of Essex County.[2]

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Notes

As Jerry Ferren points out, there were two Thomas Meadors, one was the son of Thomas Meads, and the other the son of Ambrose Meador. Confusion has been caused by 1) the transactions of a certain tract of land and 2) wording in the will of Richard Meador.

In that grant, it is stated that it was being made to Thomas Meador, Orphan, son of Thomas Meador, deceased. As no such father and son pair (both named Thomas) existed in the family of Ambrose Meador, it must certainly have been that Thomas Meads who died in 1655 and his son Thomas. The further descent of this 450 acre tract (Rappahannock Co Deed Book 5, p. 261 and Deed Book 6, p. 98) through John Meador is very clear. This grant adjoined the grant of Henry Awbrey on Hoskins Creek, and particularly the portion given by Henry to his son Richard Awbrey. It is most logical that Thomas Meador, Orphan, and Thomas Meador the Younger were the same, and that Sarah

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Meador, the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, who made provision for her son 'John Meador of Hoskins Creek,' was the wife of Henry Awbrey and the mother of Richard Awbrey. Thus the conclusion is virtually inescapable that Sarah was the mother of both John Meador and Richard Awbrey, making them half-brothers. This would explain why Richard called John Meador his 'brother' in his will.[1]

Bottom line, there were two Thomas Meadors, and the widow of Thomas "the orphan and the younger" married, as her 2nd, to Henry Awbrey. Once we understand those two things, it all fits.

Acknowledgments

- Thank you to Jerry Ferren for your extensive research on this family and for publishing it on RootsWeb.

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Thomas the orphan Meador, Jr

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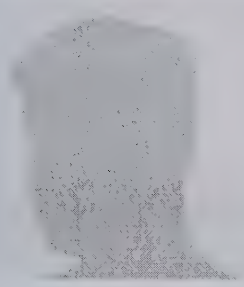

Thomas the orphan Meador (Meadows / Meador), Jr

Also Known As:	"'Orphan'", "Thomas "Younger" Meador", "Jr.", "Meador"
Birthdate:	circa 1638
Birthplace:	Essex, VA, USA
Death:	Died April 13, 1662 in Rappanhannock, Essex, VA
Place of Burial:	Rappahannock, Essex, VA, USA
Immediate Family:	Son of Thomas Meadows "The Immigrant" and Sarah Yates Sarah Meador Husband of Sarah Meador Father of John Meadows; Thomas Meador; Dorothy Meador; Susannah Meador and Mary Meador Brother of Ann Meador; Mary Meador Kindred-Hobbs; John Meadows Meador; Susannah Meador; Margaret Meador and 2 others
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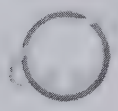

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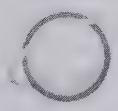

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Thomas Meador
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Dorothy Meador
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Mary Meador
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Sarah Yates Sarah Meador
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Thomas Meadows "The Immigrant"
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Ann Meador
sister

Mary Meador Kindred-Hobbs
sister

John Meadows Meador
brother

Susannah Meador
sister

About Thomas the orphan Meador, Jr

Via

http://www.angelfire.com/wv2/AlfordGenealogy/ME.pdf

From "Our Colonial Meador Ancestors" by Victor Paul Meadors "Thomas Meador (called orphan) apparently was close to legal age at the death of his father, (1) Thomas Meads, in 1655, because he was able to make a legal deed in 1658 . Much heretofore has been made of his having to be between 14 and 17 years of age to choose his own guardian, but under English common law, 21 was generally considered to be the age responsibility. Thus. it must be considered that Thomas, the son, was born as early as 1636 or 1637 to have attained 21 years of age by 1658. This also would appear likely in view of his marriage, which must have occurred about this time.

"In the deed mentioned above, Thomas Meador contracted the sell to James Haire "25 acres of land, being part of the land that was given unto me by my father, Thomas Meades deceased, and to my brother (name missing)." This confirms his parentage and that he had a brother, who is given in the father's will as John Meador. This 1658 deed was signed by Thomas with a unique mark, a cross with barred ends, a signature found nowhere else in the county records. "Records of the distribution of the estate of the senior Thomas Meades are missing, so one cannot say just how the lands willed to Thomas and his brother

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Excerpt from Victor Meadors publication "Meador families of Virginia and points West" 1982

source: LDS publication

(1) Thomas Meador

Our earliest known ancestor was Thomas Meades/Meader/Meador, who came to the Jamestown Colony in Virginia in the early 1630's. His origin in England is still unknown, although popular thinking would make him a member of one of the several families of similar name in the county of Suffolk in southeast England. But no supporting evidence has yet been found. Both Thomas and a possible brother, Ambrose Meador, had their passages paid by others, to whom they surrendered their "headright grants" of50 acres of land each in 1636. Ambrose (and quite possibly Thomas) settled in Isle of Wight County on the south side of the Pagan River.The area had been colonized about 1610 by members of the Puritan belief,soon after the founding of the Jamestown Colony in 1607. Ambrose,at least, has been identified as a member of the Puritansthere, and he and perhaps Thomas as well lived nearby when St. Luke'sChurch (the oldest church of the colonies still remaining) was constructed

in 1632. A visit to this very beautiful church of our ancestors

is highly rewarding.

There was a general migration from the Isle of Wight about 1650, perhaps to escape the jurisdiction of the royal governor, who had promoted an edict against the Puritan teachings. They settled along the northeast shore of the Rappahannock River (in present Richmond Co.) where Ambrose purchased 1000 acres from a grant to James Williamson, and Thomas bought 750 acres from a grant to William Underwood. The two plantations were only a couple of miles apart, but no definite statement of the relationship between the two men can be made. Ambrose called his lands "Accokeek," an Indian name; about a hundred years later we find the name "Islington" applied to the plantation once owned by Thomas Meador, but it is uncertain if this is the name given by Thomas. Both plantation names are still in use today, although the original buildings are long gone.

As documented thoroughly in the previous volume, Ambrose left no descendants beyond the 4th. generation, and apparently his lineage ends there. But Thomas, when he died in 1655, left a will (see transcription) listing his widow, who is not named, two sons, and four daughters. Of these six children, only the families of son Thomas and daughter Mary have been traced. Mary married Richard Hobbs and her descendants have been traced to the 6th. generation. The lineage of the younger Thomas was continued through to the 5th. generation; these pages extend that heritage to the 16th. generation.

Referenced as "The Orphan" ----------

ID: I09601 Thomas made a deed in 1658. He had a brother, John, and a sister, Mary. His mark was "I" with a "-" across it. This mark is found no where else in the records. Two tracts of land: a) Hoskins Creek - 320a (for transport of 7 people) just South of Rexburg, Virginia today. It is called Cheatwood Millpond today. and b) Hoskins Creek - 450a 9 April 1664 from Thomas Meades, his father. Both grants were recorded after his own death. AKA "The Orphan". [v67t1326.ftw]
Facts about this person:
Occupation PLANTER: TOBACCO- MAIN CROP ---------- Thomas Meador (Meadows), Jr. was born between 1635 and 1638 in Virginia. He was also called Thomas Meador the Younger, and after his father's death, was called Thomas "Orphan" Meador (Meadows).

When his father died in 1655, Thomas was close to legal age; probably 18 years old. From his father, he inherited 350acres west of Juggs Creek. He was to share this with his brother John.

On August 6, 1655, Thomas Meads "Orphan" petitioned the court that William Underwood be appointed his guardian. The estate of his father was in the hands of George Bryer, and was ordred to be delivere d to Mr. Underwood. In January of 1656, the Lancaster Court found that the estate was still undivided and in George Bryer's hands. The court ordered 4 men (including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower) to divide the estate.

In 1658, Thomas Meades "Orphan" contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion. However, it was found through later deeds that his sister, Mary, retained the entire 750 acre tract. Thomas also made a lega l deed in 1658, so he must have been 21 years old in that year. The deed was signedby Thomas with an unique mark - a cross with barred ends, a signature found nowhere else in county records.

Between 1658 and 1659, Thomas married Sarah. No further information is available about her. Thomas and Sarah had five children, Thomas, John Susannah, Mary and Dorothy.

Thomas had probably been raised in the Puritan religioin of his father. However, because of the severe morality laid down by the Puritan elders, the younger generation began searching for a faith that was less restrictive and demanding. As early as 1652, followersof the Anglican church were known to be meeting in the Lancaster area. The Anglican church had official sanction, with the authority to punish those who didnot pay their levies or attend the local church. This necessitated the founding of churches on the frontier. Sometime before 1660, an Anglican Church was built on the east side of the Rappahannock River between Totuskey and Farnham Creeks. It later became known as the North Farnham Parish. On the west bank, anAnglican church was built about 3 miles west of Hobbs Hole (now Tappa hannock) between Hoskins and Piscattaway Creeks. This was known as Piscataway Church, and later became know on South Farnham Church. This South Farnham Church was undoubtedly the one attended by the M eades family. Apparently a road from the Meades homestead on Hoskins Creek led southeastward to the church. Because of the building of Anglican churches in this area, it can be seen that the Puritan i nfluence had declined.

In 1661, an Indian raid took place on the neighboringplantation of Richard White. Richard's daughter, Elizabeth would later marry Thomas' son, John. Elizabeth was apparently not yet born, but her brot her, Thomas White, and two other men were brutally murdered. Thomas' parents, Richard and Addra White, escaped this gruesome raid.

Perhaps as many as 300 people were killed in these Indian raids. Demanding protection, the settlers petitioned the Jamestown Government for arms, forts and soldiers. From Rappahannock County was sent a "Petition of 15 Grievances" signed by, among others, Henry Awbrey and Col. Thomas Gouldman. They begged that: "the war with the heathen...maybe prosecuted effectually and managed in such sort that s ome Counties may not be totally ruined whilst others live in...peace and quietness, whilst poore Rappaahannock lies ableeding whose number of people murdered and estates destroyedcan find no parallel in Virginia...for while we are tending corn to feed our wives and children, the Indians...would butcher us in our fields, tey being so frequent about us that we dare not stir from our plantations."

On June 3, 1663, a grant was recorded to Thomas for 320 acres for the transportation of sevenpeople to the colony. The land was near the head of Hoskins Creek, southside of the Rappahannock River ---------- Note: Thomas Jr. (#2) recieved the land from his father's estate of April 9, 1664 Patent Book No. 5 page 196. It reads"Thomas Meader, Orphan, 450 acres, Lancaster County, April 9, 1664, pg. 196 South side of the head of Joskins Cree, Begining near Indian path. Franted to Thomas Browing November 30, 1657, assigned to John Cook, who assigned to Thomas Meader dec. and given by will to above named pat entee.

Thomas the orphan Meador, Jr's Timeline view all 11

1638	1638	Birth of Thomas Essex, VA, USA
1643	1643 Age 5	Birth of John Meadows Virginia, United States
1658	1658 Age 20	Marriage of Thomas to Sarah Meador Lancaster, Virginia, United States
1659	1659 Age 21	Birth of Dorothy Meador Essex County, Virginia
	1659 Age 21	Birth of Thomas Meador
1662	April 13, 1662 Age 24	Death of Thomas Rappanhannock, Essex, VA
	1662 Age 24	Birth of Susannah Meador Essex, VA
1663	1663 Age 24	Birth of Mary Meador Essex, VA
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Thomas Meador (bef. 1638 - bef. 1662)

Thomas "Orphan, The Younger" Meador aka Meader, Meadows

Born **before 1638** in **Virginia**

Son of Thomas Meades and Unknown (Unknown) Meades

Brother of John Meadors, Mary (Meadors) Hobbs, Margaret Meadors, Joyce Meadors and Ann Meadors

Husband of **Sarah (Unknown) Awbrey** — married about 1658 in Virginia

Father of John Meador, Susanna (Meadors) McGuire and Mary (Meador) Gouldman

DESCENDANTS

Died **before Apr 1662** in **Rappahannock, Crown Colony of Virginia**

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Thomas is the eighth great grandfather of Walter Pack-530

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DNA Connections

It may be possible to confirm family relationships with Thomas by comparing test results with other carriers of his Y-chromosome or his mother's mitochondrial DNA. Y-chromosome DNA test-takers in his direct paternal line on WikiTree:

- Grant Meadors : Family Tree DNA Y-DNA Test 111 markers, haplogroup R1b1a2a1a1b, FTDNA kit #125381
- Oscar Meadows : Family Tree DNA Y-DNA Test 111 markers, haplogroup R-L21, FTDNA kit #94428

It is likely that these autosomal DNA test-takers will share DNA with Thomas:

- Norman Knott : Autosomal DNA Test, GEDmatch LL876654

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DISPUTED INFORMATION

Name of Thomas' Wife

Thomas Meador was a US Southern Colonist.

Sarah is commonly considered to be Sarah Hoskins,[1] often said to be the daughter of Bartholomew Hoskins. Sarah as Sarah Hoskins has been disputed by Ariciu and others, based on her presumed relationship to Bartholomew.[2] Certainly, **it is clear that she is not the daughter of Bartholomew Hoskins, nor is there any documented evidence at present as to her maiden name.**

Date of Marriage

When Thomas and Sarah married is **unknown**. Meador and Meador *suggested*[3] that it *may* have been about 1658, about the same time that Thomas signed his first deed of sale. That date has, apparently, become the "established" date of their marriage,[4] but should remain *speculative* unless original sources can be found.

Biography

Birth

Thomas Meador, son of Thomas Meades, was named in his father's will.[5] Thomas was not yet of age when his father died in 1655. In August 1655 he petitioned the Court, as an Orphan, to have William Underwood appointed his guardian. He could not, therefore, have been born before 1634. He was apparently of age in 1658, however, when he signed a deed. The latest he could have been born, therefore, was 1637.[6].

Because of the petition to have a guardian appointed, Thomas is sometimes known as Thomas "Orphan".

Identifying Thomas Meador's Family

Thomas Meador received a grant of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the Colony, recorded June 3, 1663 (June 2 according to Nugent p 467).[7][8] The land description was specific enough that it can be located on a map today. It was described as including a section of Hoskins Creek, roughly 181 poles (2986 feet) long, which flows easterly.[9] By a process of elimination, the location is pinpointed at a place today known as "Cheatwood Millpond" which is southeast of Rexburg, and seven miles west of Tappahannock, the county seat of Essex County. [10] This 320 acre grant was inherited by Thomas's son, John Meador, who later sold it in 1679. The deed of sale states that the grant was originally made to Thomas Meador, father of John, clearly establishing the father-son relationship.[11]

A second grant of land to Thomas Meador, Orphan, was recorded on 9 April 1664 (Nugent p 478).[8] The grant for 450 acres, made originally to Thomas Browning on 30 November 1657, had been assigned to Thomas Meador, deceased, and by his will was given to his son, Thomas Meador, Orphan.[12] This grant, like the previous grant, can be plotted, and the two share a common boundary, with the 450 acres upstream on Hoskins Creek from the 320 acre grant. Like the 320 acre grant, the 450 acres also

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On 24 Nov 2014 at 18:39 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

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On 23 Nov 2014 at 15:51 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

became the property of John Meador after the death of his father. It was the land he subdivided among the children of his marriage to Elizabeth White prior to his second marriage.[13] In other words, Thomas Meador, Orphan, is the son of Thomas Meads, and father of John Meador who married Elizabeth White.

Identifying Thomas's Wife

In April 1662, Sarah Meador, widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, in two separate documents, declared her obligations to her children. "Such declarations were commonly made by those contemplating remarriage." [14] In the second document, she gave her son John Meador a yoke of oxen and "one gun, seven foot by the barrel," to be delivered to him when he came of age.

As Meador and Meador point out,[15] "No documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meador, Orphan was also known as Thomas Meador, the Younger. Nevertheless, the only other Thomas Meador found in the area at that time was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador. . ." Thomas Meador son of Ambrose did not own property along Hoskins Creek, on the south side of the Rappahannock River; he, along with his father Ambrose, owned property on the north side of the Rappahannock. He cannot, therefore, be Thomas Meador, Orphan, as he was not the son of Thomas Meades; the land he owned did not descend to John Meador, husband of Elizabeth White;[16] and he had no known wife or children.

Sarah Meador's most likely second husband was Henry Awbrey, who lived on the south side of the Rappahannock River, and whose lands adjoined those of Thomas Meador, Orphan. One of Henry Awbrey's children, Richard Awbrey, referred in his will to John Meador (son of Thomas, Orphan, Meador) as "brother", and one of John's sisters as "sister". While the meaning of "brother" and "sister" in this context could refer to either half-siblings or step-siblings, it indicates that John, son of Sarah, and John, son of Thomas Orphan, are most likely the same person, and that Thomas Orphan and Thomas the Younger are also the same person. Or as Meador and Meador say, "the known facts fit more logically with the conclusion that Thomas, Orphan and Thomas the Younger were one and the same."[17]

Thomas and Sarah had three known children: John Meador, Susanna Meador, and Mary Meador. They were named in Sarah's statement of obligation to her children of her first marriage prior to her second marriage.[18] Those documents suggest that Susannah was "several years less than 11 years old, and that Mary was less than 9 years old."[19]

Occupation

As a land owner, Thomas most likely grew tobacco. Tobacco had been the economic salvation of the original Virginia colony and continued to be its economic mainstay.[20]

Death

Thomas died before April 1662 when his wife Sarah signed the two documents prior to her re-marriage.

Research Notes

William Underwood, Thomas's choice of a guardian, was most likely William Underwood Jr. (William Underwood??), son of William Underwood, (William Underwood??) one of a community of Puritans who moved from Isle of Wight County to the shores of the Rappahannock Rive around 1650.[21]

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On 23 Nov 2014 at 01:01 GMT Patrick Garcia wrote:

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On 21 Nov 2014 at 23:15 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

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On 21 Nov 2014 at 23:06 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

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On 21 Nov 2014 at 23:02 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

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On 19 Nov 2014 at 22:06 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

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On 23 Jun 2014 at 14:33 GMT Robin Lee wrote:

Meadors-31 and Meador-4 appear to represent the same person because: dates look similar, and father is similar, father's merge has also been proposed

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15. ↑ Meador & Meador. *Our Meador families in colonial America*, p. 37
16. ↑ See Meador & Meador. *Our Meador families in colonial America*, pp. 37-38 for further discussion of the land owned by Thomas son of Ambrose
17. ↑ Meador & Meador. *Our Meador families in colonial America*, pp. 37, 40
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    Salmon, Emily Jones and John Salmon, Tobacco in Colonial Virginia, Encyclopedia Virginia. Accessed 27 February 2016
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- Temp for Gedcom Lynch imported the data for Thomas Meador from Lynch-Tree.ged, 6 Aug 2010 Five other people have also submitted gedcoms for Thomas Meador

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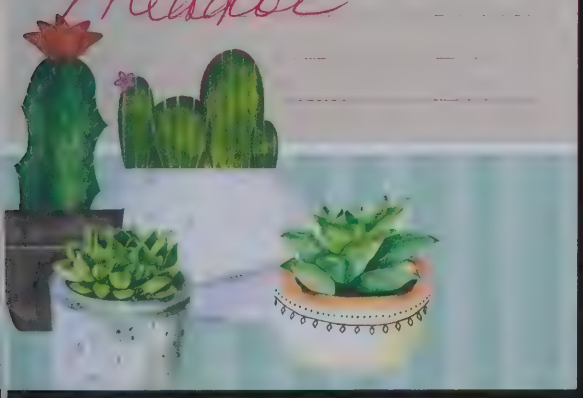

G7: The said Christopher Hail is the child of
William Hail
Born on ca 1775 At VA
Died on ca 1822 At Pulaski Co., KY and his (1st) wife
Susannah Maxey
Born on ca 1771 At VA
Died on At
Married on 24 Oct 1776 At Bedford Co., VA
Proofs: CD 029662 (Melanie Nolan): supp on John Haile: Recollec's of Micajah Hail; Marr Bonds of Bedford Co, VA byDennis & Smith, Est of William Hail adm Christopher and Susannah Hail; The Maxeys of VA by Edythe Maxey Clark, Letter from Edythe Maxey Clark, author of The Maxeys of VA.

G8: The said William Hail is the child of
Stephen Hail
Born on ca 1745 At Bedford Co., VA
Died on ca 1815 At Pulaski Co., KY and his (1st) wife
Nancy Arthur
Born on ca 1750 At VA
Died on bef 1180 At Pulaski Co., KY
Married on ca 1770 At VA
Proofs: CD 029662 (Melanie Nolan): supp on John Haile: Recollections of Micajah Hail (see Gen. 8). Will of Stephen Hail. Pulaski Co, KY Ct Orders, pp 533-534 - bond of Stephen Hail sons to administer estate.

G9: The said Stephen Haile is the child of
Francis Haile
Born on ca 1715 At VA
Died on will probated 28 Aug 1780 At BedfordCo., VA and his (1st) wife
Adara Meador
Born on 1720 At VA
Died on aft 1780 At Bedford Co., VA
Married on bef 1745 At VA
Proofs: CD 029662(Melanie Nolan): supp on John Hail : Caroline Co., VA Order Bk 1746-54, Part 1, p. 458-Frans.Haile and Ardra his wife…showing variation of spelling of Adara. Will of Richard Meador naming "Addra"; CD 15053 - Pauline Dossman: Absts Bedford Co VA...1754-1787 by Whitten.

G10: The said Adara Meador is the child of
Richard Meador
Born on 1678-79 At VA
Died on w/p 15 May 1716 At Essex Co., VA and his (1st) wife
Ann Moss
Born on At
Died on aft 15 May 1716 At
Married on ~~a~~ c7 Sep 1698 At Essex Co., VA
Proofs: CD 29662 supp Thomas Meador - Will of Rich Meador; VA Col Absts Vol IX Fleet, p. 64 - gf White; dau Addra. Will John Mess/Moss, Essex Co., VA 1697, VA Co Recds Essex 1697-1699, p. 14 Sparacio - dau Ann land and extrix. Essex Co. Deeds & Wills 1701-04, p. 92 Sparacio-Rich Meadors wife Ann Moss.

G11: The said Richard Meador is the child of
John Meador
Born on 1655 At Rappahannock Co., VA
Died on w/p Nov 1721 At Essex Co., VA and his (1st) wife
Elizabeth White
Born on At
Died on a 11 Feb 1694 At VA
Married on bef 4 Feb 1677 At Rappahannock Co., VA
Proofs: Proofs cited by CD #2987 (Grace Sinclair Cooper) - "Our Meador Families in Colonial America," pp 51-53, 59-61, 55; will of Thomas Meador; John Meador's Gift of Deed - Essex Co., VA 11 Feb 1694 - land to son Richard, father in law Richard. White.

G12: The said John Meador is the child of
Thomas Meador
Born on c 1636 At
Died on p June 1663 At Essex Co, VA and his (1st) wife
Sarah
Born on c 1638 At
Died on p 1672 At Essex Co., VA
Married on At
Proofs: Proofs cited by CD #29662 (Melanie Nolan) supplement on Thomas Meador - "Our Meador Families in Colonial America," pp. 35-49, pp. 51-53, VA Cty Court Records, Old Rappa Co., VA 1677-1682, Part II: John Meador to Ebenezer Stanfeild-320 acs land granted to John's father Thos Meador in 1663.

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G13: The said Thomas Meador is the child of
Thomas Meador
Born on c 1600 At
Died on 1655 WPO6JUN1655 At Lancaster Co., VA and his ( ) wife

Born on At
Died on At
Married on At
Proofs: "Our Meador Families in Colonial America," pp. 35-49, pp. 25-33

G14: The said is the child of

Born on At
Died on At and his ( ) wife

Born on At
Died on At
Married on At
Proofs:

G15: The said is the child of

Born on At
Died on At and his ( ) wife

Born on At
Died on At
Married on At
Proofs:

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CHILDREN OF THE ANCESTOR

Only list those by the wife noted on the last generation

Name of child	Date of Birth of Child	Name of Spouse
Thomas Meador	c 1636	Sarah
John Meador		
Mary Meador	c 1640	Richard Hobbs
Margaret Meador		
Joyce Meador		
Ann Meador		

ANCESTOR'S SERVICE

Only one service is required; only one proof of service is required

Name of Service: Landowner-Lancaster Co., VA
Proof of Service: Purchased 700 acs from William Underwood in 1653
Source of Proof: Meador, Victor & Bernal. Our Meador Families in Colonial America, p.25

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The applicant states that the said Thomas Meador is the ancestor whose lineage is outlined in this application and the statements herein set forth are true to the best of her knowledge. She also understands that the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century does not guarantee that this lineage will be valid in the future as new research may change the validity of this lineage.

Signature of applicant: Melanie Nolan

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Subject: Re: Ambrose Meador
Author: jferren1
Date: Monday, March 25, 2002
Classification: Query
Surnames: MEADOR, MEADS

The information was acquired from Robert Lee Meador, Gloria J. Teggart, Carol Elliott Arrington and Sondra Sue Meadows Johnson. Following are biographical sketchs for Ambrose Meador and his son Thomas Meads:

Ambrose Meador:

Every immigrant to the colony in the 17th century was granted 50 acres as a "headright" to get them started. But often these grants were assigned to a benefactor who had paid for their passage from England to the colony. There, we find that Ambrose Meador had on 1 Jun 1636, surrendered to a Peter Johnson in Warrisquicke County. (later Isle of Wight County.) 150 acres of headright land due for the immigration of Ambrose, his wife and a servant. It should be noted that in many cases delays of several years occurred in the official recording of such documents, therefore, the actual date of Ambrose's arrival could have been a few years previous to 1636.

Soon after the recording of this headright, other records show that Ambrose Meador in partnership with John White purchased 50 acres of land from Thomas Davis. Then, in 1649, he bought 300 acres from Ambrose Bennett on the south side of the Pajan River. These purchases were in what became Isle of Wight in the Virginia colony, south of the James River. It is evident that other purchases were made for when records no longer exist, on the basis of reference to land that Ambrose owned at "Ambrose Meador's Point", cited as a landmark. Adjoining these lands of Ambrose Meador on the Pajan River were grants of 300 acres and 600 acres to Richard Bennett, and 1100 acres to Ambrose Bennett. Much can be learned from these associations. All of the above mentioned men with whom Ambrose Meador dealt and whose lands adjoined his own were prominent members of the early Puritan Church.

The Puritan movement had originated in England in the late 16th century as part of the Protestant reformation directed against the Catholic Church. It continued its reformation efforts against the Church of England (Anglican) which had been created when Henry VIII severed all ties with the Catholic Church. In particular, the Puritan adherents felt that Henry VIII had not gone far enough in merely separating from the Catholic Church. The designation "Puritan" derived from their determined efforts to "purify" the Church of England with regard to: 1) forms of worship and the clerical vestments; 2) the organization of the church; and 3) certain theological doctrines.

The Puritan movement was not treated favorably by James I, King of England, and migration began into Holland. By 1610 the Puritans had begun to settle in Virginia on both sides of the Pajan River in Warrisquicke County (now Isle of Wight). Many settlers succumbed to hardships, disease and recurrent Indian attacks. After the Indian massacre of 1622 throughout the Virginia settlements, only 33 European persons were left in the Warrisquicke County. area.

Sometime after the tragedy but certainly before the recording of his headright in 1633, Ambrose Meador came to the Virginia colony. Because the records show he was married when he arrived but had no children, the passage must have taken place before 1633, the year in which his first son, John, was born.

It is not known if Ambrose Meador came to Virginia from Holland or England. Some indications point to Suffolk in agricultural East Anglia, northeast of London, as the possible origin of the Meadors.

As we attempt to recreate Ambrose Meador's background, it is quite significant that in Virginia he settled near and dealt with Ambrose Bennett, a relative of Edward Bennett, who was one of the Elders of the "Ancient Church" faction of the Puritan movement. Edward owned a fleet of ships that transported and supplied many of the Puritan colonials. Edward married into the wealthy Bourne family and was granted thousands of acres for transporting hundreds of colonists and their servants. His relative Richard Bennett was overseer of his plantations and later became Governor of Virginia.

A neighbor of Ambrose Meador's was Thomas Jordan, a prominent member of the Puritan movement.

Perhaps as early as 1632, construction was begun on a church, just a few miles south of the lands of Ambrose Meador. Durably built of hand-fired brick, the building still stands today.

The last record of Ambrose Meador in Isle of Wight County. is in 1649, when he sold land to Ralph Warrener on 9 April 1649. Ambrose soon followed the Puritan colonists to Lancaster County. on the Rappahannock River. He is first found there on a list of tithers on 24 Oct 1653. He settled on the northeast side of the river in the Totuskey Creek area. On 3 Sep 1656 he purchased from James Williamson the lower 1,000 acres at the 1800 grant on Willing Creek (Totuskey Creek). The neighbors here besides Williamson included Bryer, William Underwood, Abraham Moore, Thomas Robinson, and William Denby from the Isle of Wight colony.

The 1,000 acres purchased by Ambrose Meador included Accokeek Point of the mouth of Totuskey Creek, across the river and a few miles downstream from present Tappahannock. Of this 1,000 acres, he soon sold 300 acres to Thomas Robinson and 300 acres to his son, Thomas Meador. He retained 300 acres for himself as a home plantation, probably near the present site of Wellford, which he appears to have named "Accokeek". This 400 acres was then inherited by his son, John Meador, and later traded by John to Robert Tomlin on 3 May 1663 for 500 acres of land on Peumansend Creek in what is now Caroline County. Evidently Ambrose Meador was dead by this date. His last reference in the records is 24 Dec 1661 when he shared a purchase with his son, Thomas. His wife was mentioned (but not by name) in the deed to Thomas Robinson in 1656, but may have preceded him in death. If Ambrose Meador left a will, as is likely, it has not survived the loss of Lancaster County. records, nor is his last resting place known.

It appears probable that Ambrose Meador's son, Thomas Meador, met with an early death. He left no property of record to be divided and no deeds or wills have been found.

Source: Our Meador Families in Colonial America - as found in the records of Isle of Wight, Lancaster (old) Rappahannock, Richmond, Essex and Caroline Counties, Virginia; 1983; Victor Paul Meador & Bernal M. Meador

Thomas Meads:

Arrived in Virginia prior to 1636 with his Father Ambrose Meador. At present nothing is known of the early years of Thomas Meads. The first records of this name are in the head right grants by the Governor of the Jamestown Colony; a Thomas Meades surrendered his head right grant of 50 acres of land in 1636 to John Gater of Elizabeth City. This grant was reconfirmed two years later when it was combined and reissued with two others, and Thomas Meads is again shown as surrendering his 50 acres.

While there is no proof that this Thomas was our ancestor, no other suitable immigration record has been found. While the date shown is possibly several years behind the actual entry of the transaction, due to the usual delay in confirming and recording grants, certainly the available evidence points to this as the approximate time of his arrival.

The name of Thomas Meads is next found in the records of Lancaster County, Virginia, in 1653, at which time he purchased 700 acres of land from William Underwood. Underwood was granted 1400 acres on the northeast shore of the Rappahannock River, between Milleck Creek (sometimes known as Willimson's Creek, but now known as Ball's Creek) and Bushwood Creek (now known as Little Carter Creek). The portion purchased by Thomas Meads appears to have been the lower half of this grant, which was the portion falling next to Milleck Creek. Here Thomas established his home on higher ground behind an excellent river landing. This place still appears on modern maps as "Islington Landing", but this name does not seem to have been applied to the area until a hundred years later, for it does not appear in early

records.

It is important to note that Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador could not have made the above purchase, as that son was no more than 16 to 18 years old, too young for such a deed. This transaction is of such magnitude as would indicate a man of moderate wealth, a status hardly to be expected of a younger son. This distinction becomes more apparent later in the will of Thomas Meads the elder. But because they lived less than two miles apart, it is rather difficult to separate the records of these two Thomas Meadors, as well as those of the son of the elder Thomas. Nevertheless, it would appear likely that the following entries are for the elder Thomas Meads.

An entry in Lancaster records in 1653 concerns an indentured servant of Thomas Meads named Bour Harrison, who ran away and was returned, for which he was sentenced by the court to serve an additional nine months at the expiration of his term of indenture. It should be noted that many children were bound out to earn their support of to learn a trade, particularly orphan children. When the age of 17 years was reached they were discharged, with a suit of new clothes and provisions, or to keep the results of their labors if they chose to stay. Many fared far better under this arrangement than they would have otherwise.

Another entry concerns two cows sold by Thomas Meads in 1653 to Minor Doeders. As all cattle had been imported originally from England, they were quite valuable at this time and were often mentioned in wills. Thomas Meads was appointed constable on April 6, 1654, with the oath administered by James Williamson. As a reflection of his standing in the community, the plantation of Thomas Meads was chosen in February 1654, as the rallying point for a small army of volunteers who marched from his grounds overland to the village of the Rappahannock Indians to obtain a peace treaty. Undoubtedly the excellent landing at Thomas's plantation and the proximity of the Indian village, which was perhaps near the site of the present town of Warsaw, had some influence in this choice. In September/October 1654 Thomas Meads tithed for 3 male adults. The levy (tax) was 60 pounds of tobacco per poll.

The remaining records of Thomas Meads (Meades, Meader) in Lancaster County concern his will and the court deliberations over the distribution of his estate. The will was written March 5, 1654; but it should be noted that under the Julian calendar then in effect the year was not changed until March 25th, so that in modern terms the year would actually be 1655. The will was entered for probate 3 months later on June 6, 1655; it also bears the date June 12, 1655, perhaps added by the copyist. It reads as follows:

The Will of Thomas Meads/Meador II

The last will and testament of Thomas Meads made the 5th day of March (1654). I do bequeath my body to the Earth and my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole and absolute Executor. I do give to my wife and daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the said plantation not to be my daughter's until after my wife's decease. I do give to my two sons Thomas Meador and John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two daughters Margaret and Joyce two thousand pounds of tobacco and cask at their day of marriage, and in case either of them die that the said tobacco to belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife and sons and daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall equally divided amongst them. I do give to my daughter Anne all the cattle that belongeth to her which is about five head of cattle, likewise I do give unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day and year above written.

Thomas Mead

Rawleigh Travers
John Richardson
Edward Bradshaw

His mark

It should be pointed out here that the will presently exists only as a third-hand copy. Of course, the actual will itself was not filed in the record book --the clerk copied the will. That original record book no longer exists. In the early 1700s many of the badly deteriorated volumes were laboriously hand-copied for preservation, this book among them. So what we have today is a copy of a copy, and copying errors are to

be expected. Certainly the signature to the will is not that of Thomas Meads, and the spelling may well be questioned. Early day penmanship (as anyone attempting to read these early documents will testify) was such that it was often impossible to distinguish between and "o" or "e", or a terminal "s" or "r". That the signature of Thomas Meads was written out, perhaps even the entire will, and those of the witnesses (except for Edward Bradshaw) (and Rawleigh Travers who was the county sheriff), indicates a degree of literacy for Thomas and his witnesses.

Probate of the will was granted to George Bryer, a neighbor, and as was the custom, the court ordered an appraisal of the estate. This appraisal was done by four men, including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, and was returned to the court December 10, 1655. The value was established as 17,502 pounds of tobacco, equivalent at the time to about 109 pounds sterling, a respectable, though not huge, sum for the time. Because "hard" money was scarce in the colonies, everything was valued in terms of its worth in tobacco, on a sort of barter system.

As testified by the will, Thomas Meads left a widow, two sons, and four daughters. Quite possibly all these children were under legal age, since at the time when Thomas had entered the country some nineteen years or so before, he had been single. His son Thomas Meador Jr. seems to have been the oldest, but was still under the legal age, as in the court session of August 6, 1655 Thomas Meador Meads, orphan, petitioned the court that William Underwood be appointed his guardian. Further, it was ordered that the estate of Thomas Meades, deceased, then in the hands of George Bryer, be delivered to Underwood.

In January 1655 (actually 1656 by modern dating), the Lancaster Court found that the estate was still undivided and in the hands of George Bryer. The court then ordered four men, again including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, to divide the estate according to the will of the deceased.

It will be seen from the above records that not only did Ambrose and Thomas Meads (Meader) live less than two miles apart, but that there was considerable participation by Ambrose in the affairs of Thomas. Yet we find no statement in the records of their relationship, though many opportunities for such a simple expression as "brother" or "cousin" were passed by, leaving the question unresolved.

Nor are the records clear about the fate of the unnamed widow of her children. There is only one reference that daughter Joyce was in the custody of William Underwood; that is all.

The land mentioned in the will of Thomas Meads appears to have been the 700 acres that had been purchased from William Underwood. The creek mentioned in the will is not identified there, but a plot of this tract reveals that it would have been divided roughly in half by the lower section and first branch of what is called "Juggs Creek" today. This would imply that approximately 350 acres west of "Juggs Creek would have been intended for sons Thomas Meador (Jr.) and John, while the remaining 350 acres east of the creek was to go to daughter Mary, after the death of her mother.

The tract was still undivided in December 1658, when Thomas Meador Meades (the orphan) contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Haire, "that was given to me by my father, Thomas Meades, deceased, and to my brother (name missing) in case that part of the land...shall fall to my lott at the dividing of the said land." In actuality, it is found through later deeds that Mary obtained possession of the entire 700-acre tract, but in what manner is unknown. Perhaps the portion allotted to Thomas Meador was exchanged for rights to the grant on Hoskins Creek.

Nor does the will of Thomas Meads make mention of grant lands on Hoskins Creek, south of the Rappahannock River, possibly because these grants had not been finalized. Yet, a grant in 1664 applying to the 450 acres on Hoskins Creek indicates that the grant had been left to Thomas Meador Meader, orphan, by the will of his father, Thomas Meader, deceased. Thus, we have evidence that the elder Thomas Meads Meader (Meads, Meades) bought from John Cooke this 450 acre tract, which descended after his death to his son, Thomas Meader, orphan. While this series of transactions was recorded in 1664 (long after Thomas Meads had made his will and died), it would appear possible that the actions were started about the time Thomas Meads died, and were carried to completion later by Thomas Meador Meader, orphan. The fact that he did not yet possess the land on Hoskins Creek may explain why Thomas Meads (the elder) did not include mention of it in his will. Of course, one could conclude that there was yet another Thomas Meades who was the recipient of the grant. But this would require that there be a second pair of Thomas Meader's father and son, with the further coincidence that the son would be known as

Thomas Meader, orphan. A review of the lineage of Ambrose Meador reveals that such a father/son combination did not exist among the descendants. This is a vital link in determining our lineage, for subsequent deeds for this 450 acre tract make clear that, after the land was inherited by John Meador from his father, Thomas Meador, orphan, the lineage is unmistakable.

In summary, it has been found that Thomas Meads left only two surviving heirs to his property, son Thomas Meador Meader and daughter Mary Meads Hobbs.

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Janet Ariciu family Bush

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- *Surname:* Meader
- *Sex:* M
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- *Death:* Bef 12 Jun 1655 in Lancaster, Virginia
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Father of "the Orphan"

Byer, Geo Probate to him of Thomas Meads, deceased, the estate to be appraised by Am'br Meader, Fran: Gower, Toby Hurst qne Tho Robinson, Mr Wm Underwood to adm the Oath 6 jun 1667 p 197
Lancaster county Court orders 1652-1655 p 178
Virginia Colonial Abstracts, Vol. I

Ambrose land records: Stating " Know All Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meader of the county of Rappa. in Virginia consideraun to me paid by Thomas Meador my son of the county aforesaid (missing) heirs Exes Amrs and assignes five grant bargain sell and assigns ever unto the said Thomas Meader a parcell of land conteyning three hundred acres being part of one thousand acres of land sold and conveyed unto me Ambrose Meader by James Williamson as by a deed of sale under the hand and seal of the said Willimson plainly appeareth situatle lying and being on the north side of Rappa River the said three hundred acres of land edjoying unto the upon the land Thomas Robinson which land ther said Robyson purchased of me Ambrose Meador likewise being part of the one thousand acres or land unto him the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admirs and assignes for Ever with all rights and priviledges thereunto belong and appertaining I the said Ambrose Meader do for me my heirs Exrs and Admirs hereby promise to wawrrant and defend the said three hundred acres of land from all persons claiming by Witnes whre of I the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs. Admrs or assignes. In witness whereof I the said Ambrose have hereunto put my hand and seal this 30th day of August anno dam 1658

Ambrose (M(his mark)) Meador

in presence of Clement Herbert and John (his mark) Meader (is this Ambrose son?)

Deed Abstracts of old Rappahannock Co, VA

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I AMBROSE MEADR of the Co of Rappa. Planter do

(constituet&appoint) my well beloved Sonn THOMAS MEADOR my true & lawfull Attorney for me& in my (place&stead) to acknowledge in Court three hundred acres of land at this Court as by my deed of (missing) appear & I do also by these presentsgive & grant unto my said Attorney full power to make (other) Attorny or Attorneys as my said Attorny shall find cause & in Witness to all & every (the premises) I AMBROSE MEADER have here unto sett my hand this 2d of September 1658

Testee
Clement Herbert
John Meader

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"THE INDIANS and BACON'S REBELLION"
For a time, white settlement was forbidden above the Pamunkey River; later this prohibition was only for the land above the Piscattaway and Totuskey Creeks. But many settlers filed claims upon the choice river front lands, and by 1646-1650 (as detailed in the first chapter) grants were being given along the Rappahannock River on these areas. The river valley was occupied principally by the Rappahannock Indians, with a few villages of Mattaponi, Moratticoes, Totuskeys, Portobagoes, and others. These tribes were forced into the forested lands behind the mile- deep grants. Behind the grants to James Williamson, William Underwood, and the land of Thomas Meads
Could this Thomas Meads be my Meads?

Note from James Williamson and William Underwood was living near Ambrose Meador in Isle of Wight. Could this Thomas Meads be the son Ambrose???

Tension between the settlers and the Indians remained high, and there were recurring raids, for which the nearby Rappahannocks received most of the blame. In February, 1654 , a small army was raised, with 100 men from Lancaster County, 40 from Northumberland, and 30 from Westmoreland to meet the threat. They met at the plantation of Thomas Meades on the eastern shore, and were to march from thence to the village of the Rappahannocks (probably near Warsaw) to ensure peace, without provoking hostilities. The outcome is not recorded, but the Rappahannocks seemingly caused no trouble.

Not so with the Doegs, the Susquahannocks, and the Senecas (from Maryland), whose numerous raids into the northern colonies caused great hardships during the 1660's and 1670's. One such raid took place in 1661 at the plantation of Richard White (who later became the father-in-law of (3) John Meador). White's plantation lay on the north side of Hoskin's Creek, opposite that of John Meador. Though Richard White and his wife Addra escaped, their son Thomas White and two men were brutally murdered. An account of the results of this raid, as viewed by a committee of twelve men, forms a gruesome record .

AStudy of Virginia Indians and Jamestown: The First Century

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http://www.cr.nps.gov/history/online_books/jame1/moretti-langholtz/chap7.htm

November 1654 — Acts of Assembly—
Complaints against the «b»Rappahannock Indians«/b». Assembly authorizes three counties to raise men: Lancaster 100, Northumberland 40 and Westmoreland 30, to meet on the first Wednesday in February to next to «b»Thomas Meades' hous«/b»e. Major John Carter to lead the men to the «b»Rappahannock town« demanding satisfaction. Following, Carter is to give account to the Governor, who will determine with his Council, as to peace or war. Captain Henry Fleet and David Wheatliff to go as interpreters.

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THE WILL OF THOMAS MEADS/MEADOR

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Thomas Meador children:

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4. Margaret MEADOR was born abt 1642 in VA.

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Ans. Under legal of age (21) who is due an inheritance

Age breakdowns and categories.

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Father: Ambrose Meader [Meador] b: Abt 1572 in , , England

Marriage 1 Unknown

- *Married:*
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1. Thomas (The Younger) Meader b: Abt 1620 in Virginia
2. John Meades b: Abt 1622
3. Mary Meador b: 1624 in Virginia
4. Margaret Meador b: 1625 in Virginia
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younger son. This distinction becomes more apparent later in the will of Thomas Meads the elder. But because they lived less than two miles apart, it is rather difficult to separate the records of these two Thomas Meadors, as well as those of the son of the elder Thomas. Nevertheless, it would appear likely that the following entries are for the elder Thomas Meads.

An entry in Lancaster records in 1653 concerns an indentured servant of Thomas Meads named Bour Harrison, who ran away and was returned, for which he was sentenced by the court to serve an additional nine months at the expiration of his term of indenture.[4] It should be noted that many children were bound out to earn their support or to learn a trade, particularly orphan children. When the age of 17 years was reached, they were discharged, with a suit of new clothes and provisions, or to keep the results of their labors if they chose to stay. Many fared far better under this arrangement than they would have otherwise.

Another entry concerns two cows sold by Thomas Meads in 1653 to Minor Doeders.[5] As all cattle had been imported originally from England, they were quite valuable at this time and were often mentioned in wills. Thomas Meads was appointed constable on April 6, 1654, with the oath administered by James Williamson.[6] As a reflection of his standing in the community, the plantation of Thomas Meads was chosen in February, 1654, as the rallying point for a small army of volunteers who marched from his grounds overland to the village of the Rappahannock Indians to obtain a peace treaty[7] (see chapter on The Indians and Bacon's Rebellion). Undoubtedly the excellent landing at Thomas's plantation and the proximity of the Indian village, which was perhaps near the site of the present town of Warsaw, had some influence in this choice. In September/October, 1654 Thomas Meads tithed for 3 male adults.[8] The levy (tax) was 60 pounds of tobacco per poll.

The remaining records of Thomas Meads (Meades, Meader) in Lancaster County concern his will and the court deliberations over the distribution of his estate. The will was written March 5, 1654; but it should be noted that under the Julian calendar then in effect the year was not changed until March 25th, so that in modern terms the year would actually be 1655. The will was entered

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b. 1635-8 Va.
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mar. @ 1658-9

Henry Awbrey (2nd)
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(See separate chart)

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Imp.rs I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Executrix I do give to my wife & my Daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the Land on this side the Creek and the s.d plantation not to be my Daughters till after my wifes decease. I do give to my two sons Tho: & John Meads all the Land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two Daughters Margaret & Joyce out of the s.d Land two thousand pounds of tob.o & Cask at their day of marriage and on case either of the die the s.d tob.o to belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife & my sons & Daughters above mentioned all my goods & chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them. I do give to my Daughter Anne all the Cattle that belongeth to her which are about five head of Cattle and likewise I do give unto her one shilling in mony. this is my last will & testament as witnes my hand the day & year above written

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Rawleigh Travers
John Richardson
Edward ⊤⊤⊤ Bradshew
his mark

Thomas Mead

12.o die Junij 1655

Probat.r 6.o die Junij 1655

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Descendants of Robert de Medewe, 1290

Tenth Generation

30. Daniel Meadows [36149] was born in Jun 1630 and died in 1670 at age 40.

Daniel married **Joyce Rivers** [36150] [MRIN: 12255], daughter of **Edmund Rivers** [36151] and **Unknown**. Joyce died in Dec 1670.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 36 M i. **John Meadows of Witnesham [36152]** was born in 1665 and died in Mar 1715 at age 50.

31. Thomas Meador [15047] was born on 24 Dec 1612 in Bristol, Suffolk, England and died on 6 Jun 1655 in Essex County, Virginia at age 42.

General Notes: Thomas Meador was born in 1612, England. He came to the new world 1 June 1636 using the headright system. Thomas settled on land about 50 miles north of Jamestown on a part of the Charles River, Northumberland, Lancaster, Rappahannock, and Essex counties as each was established. He married, and between 1635-37 Thomas Jr. was born. Thomas did well raising tobacco and paid passage for others claiming their land.

The Will of Thomas Meads/Meador

The last will and testament of Tho. Meads (Meador) made the 5th. day of March (54.) Imp nt. I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Excr. I do give to my wife and Daughter Mary this planation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the sd. plantation not to be my Daughter's 'till after my wife's decease. I do give to my two sons Thos. & John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two Daughters Margaret & Joyce out of the s. land two thousand pounds of tob. & cask at their day of marriage, and in case eithre of the(m) die that the sd. tob. to belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife & sons & my Daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them. I do give to my Daughter Anne all the cattle that belongeth to her which is about five head of cattle, and likewise I do give unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day & year above written.

Witness:
Thomas Mead
Rawleigh Travers
John Richardson
Edward Bradshaw (by his mark)
pbat 6 da. Juny 1655

GRANTEE Meads, Thomas. grantee. DATE 7 September 1654. Location: County location not given. Grantee(s): Meads, Thomas, and John Phillips. Description: 1000 acres on the south side of the Freshes of Rappa: River about 16 Miles above Nanzemum Towne. Source: Land Office Patents No. 3, 1652-1655, p. 376 (Reel 2).

Thomas married **Sarah Unknown** [15048] [MRIN: 4982] about 1635 in Virginia. Sarah was born about 1600 in England and died about 1655 in Virginia about age 55.

Children from this marriage were:

37 F i. **Susannah Meador [15467]** was born about 1636.

38 M ii. **John Meador [15468]** was born in 1637 in Lancaster County, Virginia.

General Notes: SRC: Historical Southern Familes, Vol IV, Meadors-Meadows of Essex County, Virginia, pg 131

+ 39 M iii. **Thomas Meador Jr. [15045]** was born in 1638 in Northumberland County, Virginia and died on 13 Apr 1662 in Rappahannock Crown Colony, Virginia at age 24.

40 F iv. **Mary Meador [15052]** was born about 1640.

Mary married **Richard Hobbs** [15053] [MRIN: 4983]. Richard was born in 1644 and died in 1683 at age 39.

41 F v. **Margaret Meador [15049]** was born about 1642.

42 F vi. **Joyce Meador [15050]** was born about 1644 in Lancaster County, Virginia.

43 F vii. **Anne Meador [15051]** was born about 1646.

33. Sir Philip Medows [36107] died on 3 Dec 1757.

Philip married **Dorothy Boscawen** [36108] [MRIN: 12233].

Children from this marriage were:

44 M i. **Sydney Medows [36109]** .

Sydney married **Jemima Montagu** [36110] [MRIN: 12234], daughter of **Charles Montagu** [36111] and **Unknown**.

+ 45 M ii. **Philip Medows [36112]** .

46 F iii. **Constance Medows [36143]** .

47 F iv. **Anne Medows [36144]** .

48 F v. **Elizabeth Medows [36145]** .

49 F vi. **Frances Medows [36146]** .

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Ancestors of Sarah Hoskins

Generation No. 1

1. Sarah Hoskins, born 1637 in Virginia; died 1672 in Rappahannock County, Virginia. She was the daughter of 2. Bartholomew Hoskins and 3. Mira Dorcas Isham. She married (1) Thomas Meador 1658 in Virginia. He was born 1635 in Charles Parish, York County, Virginia, and died Apr 1662 in Essex County, Virginia. He was the son of Thomas Meads and Sarah Wellstead. She married (2) Henry Awbrey Aft. Apr 1662. He was born Abt. 1637.

Notes for Sarah Hoskins:
In a book by Victor P. Meador titled OUR MEADOR FAMILIES IN COLONIAL AMERICA, he indicates Sarah Meador (widow of Thomas) married Henry Awbrey after April, 1662. "page 37 - Sarah is first mentioned as his wife in 1664 when Henry appointed her his attorney to collect debts due him in his absence. She again appears in 1670 as party to a sale by Henry Awbrey and herself of a tract of 300 acres of land on the north side of the Rappahannock River. Her name again appears in 1672 as party to another deed, but no further reference to her has been found. When Henry made his will in 1694 he named his wife as Mary."

Notes for Thomas Meador:
Thomas Meador (called orphan) apparently was close to legal age at the death of his father, Thomas Meads in 1655, because he was able to make a legal deed in 1658. Much heretofore has been made of his having to be between 14 and 17 years of age to choose his own guardian, but under English common law, 21 was generally considered to be the age of responsibility. Thus, it must be considered that Thomas, the son, was born as early as 1636 or 1637 to have attained 21 years of age by 1658. This also would appear likely in view of his marriage, which must have occurred about this time.

In the deed mentioned above, Thomas Meador contracted the sell to James Haire "25 acres of land, being part of the land that was given unto me by my father, Thomas Meads deceased, and to my brother (name missing)." This confirms his parentage and that he had a brother, who is given in the father's will as John. Thomas signed this 1658 deed with a unique mark, a cross with barred ends, and a signature found nowhere else in the county records.

Records of the distribution of the estate of the senior Thomas Meads are missing, so one cannot say just how the lands willed to Thomas and his brother John ended up in the possession of their sister Mary. One could speculate that the lands were traded to Mary for the rights to the two grants on Hoskins Creek, on the south side of the Rappahannock River, of which Thomas Meador (orphan) became possessed.

Of these two grants, the first one recorded was made to the younger Thomas Meador, of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the colony, recorded June 3,1663. Sufficient data survives to permit the plotting of this tract. The grant shows a peculiar characteristic, in that it requires a southeasterly flowing section of Hoskins Creek roughly 181 poles (2986 feet) long, whereas the major portion of Hoskins Creek flows easterly. Of three possible locations along the creek where it flows southeasterly for that length, one would eliminate by its location two near the mouth of the creek, whereas the grant specified that it was toward the head of the creek. Another is eliminated by its encroachment upon property granted to Henry Awbrey further upstream, which also requires a similar-flowing southeast section. The area best fitting the requirements lies at what is known today as "Cheatwood Millpond". This location is just southeast of Rexburg, Virginia, and seven !
miles west of Tappahannock, county seat of Essex County.

The 320-acre grant later became the property of John Meador, who sold it to Ebenezer Stanfield in 1679. The deed states that the grant was to Thomas Meador, father of the said John Meador, thus confirming this parentage. Stanfield devised the property to his daughter, Rebecca, who married John Williams, Jr., and they later disposed of the property, which never again returned to the ownership of Meador descendants.

The second of the two grants was for 450 acres, also near the head of Hoskins Creek. It was first granted to Thomas Browning on November 30,1657. It was then assigned to John Cooke in 1659, and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meads (senior). Before this series of transactions was finally recorded on April 9,1664, Thomas Sr. had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meador, orphan. The above series of actions is recorded in the wording of the grant

By plotting these two grants, it can be seen that they lay side by side on the south side of Hoskins Creek, with the 450 acre grant upstream (west) of the 320 acre grant, and that they shared a common boundary. Both

grants were recorded after the apparent death of Thomas Meador, orphan.

The 450 acre grant (made to Thomas Meador, orphan) clearly became the property of John Meador, who divided it among the children of his first wife. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will. A descendant, William Meador, in a deed in 1728 and another in 1734, continued the lineage from his great-grandfather Thomas Meador through John, Richard, and himself, making the descent of the property and lineage involved unquestionable. The genealogy of the Meador family from Thomas Meads is thus established to that point.

No documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meader, orphan, was also known as Thomas Meador, the younger. Nevertheless, the only other Thomas Meador found in the area at that time was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador. It would appear that the known facts fit more logically with the conclusion that Thomas, orphan, and Thomas the younger were one and the same. Particularly, Thomas, orphan, is the only one who was also the son of an elder Thomas, thus requiring the description, "the younger".

This latter phrase is found in two documents made by a Sarah Meador, in which, describing herself as the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, she declared her obligation to her three children in April, 1662. Those contemplating remarriage commonly made such declarations. In the first document, Sarah provided for the maintenance and education of her children, promising them four years of schooling apiece. (At this period, most children received only a year). In the second, Sarah gave her son John Meador a yoke of oxen and "one gun, seven foot by the barrel", to be delivered to him when he came of age. To her daughter Susannah she gave a red cow called "Cherry" and her increase. To her daughter Mary she gave a black heifer called "Slippery". We learn also that Susannah was several years less than 11 years old, and that Mary was less than 9 years old. Since the marriage of Thomas Meador the Younger (or orphan) took place no earlier than 1657 or 1658, all three children w!
ould have been infants at that time.

No documentation has thus far been found to specify whom Sarah Meador then married. Nonetheless, it should be noted that a very prominent, highly influential and prosperous settler of the same area, Henry Awbrey, about this time took a wife named Sarah, who may well have been Sarah Meador, widow. Perhaps older than Sarah, Henry Awbrey is rumored to have married in England; however, no trace of such wife of surviving children of such a marriage has been found in Virginia records. Sarah is first mentioned as his wife in 1664, when Henry appointed her his attorney to collect debts due him in his absence. She again appears in 1670 as party to a sale of Henry Awbrey and herself of a tract of 300 acres on land on the north side of the Rappahannock River.

Her name again appears in 1672 as party to another deed, but no further reference to her has been found. When Henry Awbrey made his will in 1694, he named his wife as Mary.

The above mentioned deed for 300 acres north of the Rappahannock has caused considerable confusion among researchers. While it is true that a Thomas Meador once owned this property as stated in the deed, this was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador, instead of Thomas Meador (orphan), son of Thomas Meads. After Ambrose purchased 1000 acres from James Williamson in 1656, he sold 300 acres from that tract to his son, Thomas. This 300 acres was then divided in half by Thomas, who sold 150 acres to Richard Tomlinson in 1657 and 150 acres to Lambert Lambertson in 1658. Lambertson further divided his tract into 75-acre plots, which were then further sold. While it may seem unlikely that these various small plots could have bee reassembled back into a single 300-acre tract, the evidence points to that event. The remaining 700 acres of the 1000 acres purchase by Ambrose Meador can be fully accounted for. There is no indication that Ambrose purchased additional land from Williams!
on, nor that he sold more to his son, Thomas. Yet the deed from Henry and Sarah Awbrey states that the property was from the purchase by Ambrose Meador out of the grant to James Williamson, and from the portion sold by Ambrose to his son Thomas.

Regardless of the subdivision and the further sales, this deed could easily lead one to believe that Sarah had inherited the property as the widow of Thomas, the son of Ambrose. But a more likely explanation is that Henry Awbrey reassembled the property into a single tract, for which no records remain. Several instances have been noted in which property reverted to the original owner, evidently when the purchaser had defaulted in paying the purchase price. But in this case reversion to Thomas, the son of Ambrose, would appear quite unlikely in view of the many subsequent continuing sales by several individuals. In any case, it should be noted that Thomas, son of Ambrose, and Thomas, son of Thomas, both must have died about the same time, which certainly adds to the possible confusion between the two men.

Henry Awbrey was Burgess of the County Court of old Rappahannock County and was a trustee in the formation of the portion of New Plymouth in 1682, which became Tappahannock. For the last two years of his life he was also Sheriff, perhaps an honorary position in view of his age. He received many grants of land for the transportation of persons to the colonies. One of these was for 1050 acres on the south side of Hoskins Creek in 1664, just upstream from the 450 acres granted to Thomas Meador, orphan. This site became Awbrey's home plantation. Other grants were for 480 acres in 1669 and for 5100 acres in 1679, lying between Hoskins Creek, Piscataway Creek, and the Mattaponi River; for 189 acres on Occupacia Creek in 1684 and for 1200 acres on the north side of Hoskins Creek in 1688.

The number of children of Henry Awbrey is not completely clear. Some researchers have maintained that there were sons named John and Francis; instead, these appear to have been sons of his brother, John Awbrey. It should be noted that in two deeds in 1690, Henry named Richard Awbrey as his "only son and heir apparent".

In one of these deeds he gave Richard 500 acres from the 1050-acre grant on the south side of Hoskins Creek, which portion adjoined the lands of John Meador. When Henry Awbrey made his will in 169412 , he named as heirs only his wife Mary and his son Richard.

It appears quite certain that Richard Awbrey was the son of Sarah, because in a deed in 1675 Henry gave his son Richard a year-old mare called "Bonny" "until said Richard be 14 years of age". Thus, Richard would have been born after 1661-1662, when Henry and Sarah apparently were married.

When Richard Awbrey made his will, which was probated October 11,1697, he named John Meador as "brother". Considerable speculation has arisen about the exact nature of this relationship. Some have said that the term "brother" could have meant "brother-in-law", on the assumption that John Meador (for his second wife) could have married a daughter of Henry Awbrey and thus a sister to Richard. No such daughter of Henry Awbrey has been documented. Another speculation has been that Richard's wife, Dorothy, was a sister of John Meador. Nor has such a sister been found. In actuality, Richard's wife was Dorothy North, daughter of Augustine North.

Richard Awbrey also named as "Sister" Susannah McQuire, the wife of Phillip McQuire, both of whom were witnesses to his, will. A bequest was also made to Francis Gouldman (it has been thought possible that Mary, the younger daughter of Thomas and Sarah Meador, could have married Gouldman, whose wife was named Mary). Thus we find that Richard Awbrey names at least two of the children of Thomas and Sarah Meador, John and Susannah, as "brother" and "sister". Actually, it would appear that they were his half-brother and half-sister.

At this time, there was only one John Meador living. As we have seen in the chapter on Ambrose Meador, his son John and his grandson John were both deceased by 1683. His great-grandson John and the son of Thomas (son of John, the son of Ambrose) were not born until after 1700. So we must consider here only the John Meador who was in possession of the 450-acre grant on Hoskins Creek at this time.

In that grant, it is stated that it was being made to Thomas Meador, orphan, son of Thomas Meader, deceased. As no such father and son pair (both named Thomas) existed in the family of Ambrose Meador, it must certainly have been the Thomas Meads who died in 1655 and his son Thomas. The further descent of this 450-acre tract through (3) John Meador is very clear. This grant adjoined the grant of Henry Awbrey on Hoskins Creek, and particularly the portion given by Henry to his son Richard Awbrey. It is most logical that Thomas Meader, orphan, and Thomas Meador the Younger were the same, and that Sarah Meador, the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, who made provision for her son "John Meador of Hoskins Creek", was the wife of Henry Awbrey and the mother of Richard Awbrey. Thus the conclusion is virtually inescapable that Sarah was the mother of both John Meador and Richard Awbrey, making them half-brothers. This would explain why Richard called John Meador his "brother" !
in his will.

Regrettably, efforts to trace descendants of the other two children of Sarah Meador/Awbrey have proven nearly fruitless. No further mention in Essex records has been found of Phillip and Susannah McQuire. Col. Francis Gouldman became a prosperous and prominent landowner in Saint Mary's Parish of Essex County, but when he drew his will in 1717, he mentioned no (living) children. Bequests were made to his nephews, the sons of Edward Gouldman, and to his niece, the daughter of his brother Thomas Gouldman, deceased. Mary, the wife of Francis, followed him in death a few months later. In her will no children were mentioned, but there was a bequest to Dorothy Billups, who was the daughter of Richard Awbrey and thus her niece.

Two confusing court records of "the orphans of Francis Gouldman" actually refer to the two sons of his brother Edward, to whom Francis had left the major portion of his estate. Therefore, even if this Mary Gouldman could be established as the daughter of Thomas and Mary Meador, the direct lineage ends here. Curiously, no documents have been found relating to any interactions between these daughters, their husbands, and John Meador, nor between John Meador and Richard Awbrey. Such documentation would most certainly have made the determination of these relationships between them much easier.

THE 450 ACRE GRANT
"To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings...now know ye that I, the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador, orphan, four hundred and fifty acres of land in Lancaster County on the South side of the head of Hoskins Creek, beginning at a poplar standing by the side of a Beaver Dam near the Indian Path and running South by West two hundred and fifty poles, thence parallel to the Dam West by North four hundred and fifty poles [part of the description left out here] to the Dam to the first mentioned tree. The said land being first granted to Thomas Browning by patent dated the thirtieth of November, one thousand six hundred and fifty seven, and by him assigned to John Cooke, and by him assigned to Thomas Meads deceased, and by his will given to the said Thomas Meader. To have and to hold [etc]. Dated the ninth of April one thousand, six hundred and sixty four.

THE 320 ACRE GRANT
"To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings.... Whereas now know ye, that I, the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador three hundred and twenty acres of land, situated on the south side of Hoskins Creek towards the head thereof in the county of Rappahannock, and extends itself from a marked red oak standing in a small neck by the main run side of the creek aforesaid and nigh unto the plantation of Hohn Gillet, thence by the said run side thirty two poles unto a marked oak in the westernmost point of said neck, thence along the northernmost side of a Beaver Dam until you meet with a line of marked trees that lead unto a poplar by the edge of the said Dam forty eight poles, thence with the said

line South by West two hundred and seventy two poles to a marked pine on fallowing ground, thence East by South one hundred and twenty five poles to a white oak on the brow of a hill, thence East North-East twenty eight poles!
to meet with the Westernmost line of marked trees belonging to John Gregory, which divides this land and the land of the said Gregory, thence North East down to Hoskins Creek aforesaid and finally parallel with the said Creek one hundred eighty one poles unto the marked Red Oak first mentioned. The said land being due unto the said Meader for transportation of Seven persons to this colony. To have and hold [etc]. Dated the second of June, one thousand, six hundred and sixty-three."

Will dated 25 Mar 1655. Entered in probate 6 June 1655

"Historic Southern Families" by Boddie:

The Meadors family belonged to the landed gentry of England and seems to have resided mainly in Suffolk. See page's History of Suffolk and the Harleian Visitation, Vol. VIII Pages 105 and 163.

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Generation No. 2

2. Bartholomew Hoskins, born 1600 in Suffolk, England; died in Norfolk County, Virginia. He was the son of 4. John Hoskins and 5. Benedicta Moyle Bourne. He married 3. Mira Dorcas Isham Jun 1624 in London, Middlesex, England.
3. Mira Dorcas Isham, born Abt. 1590. She was the daughter of 6. John Isham and 7. Elizabeth Barker.

Notes for Bartholomew Hoskins:
He is an immigrant ancestor.

Child of Bartholomew Hoskins and Mira Isham is:
1i.Sarah Hoskins, born 1637 in Virginia; died 1672 in Rappahannock County, Virginia; married (1) Thomas Meador 1658 in Virginia; married (2) Henry Awbrey Aft. Apr 1662.

Generation No. 3

4. John Hoskins, born Mar 1565/66 in Herefordshire, England; died Aug 1638 in Herefordshire, England. He was the son of 8. John Hoskins and 9. Margery Jones. He married 5. Benedicta Moyle Bourne.
5. Benedicta Moyle Bourne, born 1575.

Child of John Hoskins and Benedicta Bourne is:
2i.Bartholomew Hoskins, born 1600 in Suffolk, England; died in Norfolk County, Virginia; married Mira Dorcas Isham Jun 1624 in London, Middlesex, England.

6. John Isham, born Abt. 1546 in England. He married 7. Elizabeth Barker.
7. Elizabeth Barker, born Abt. 1559 in England; died 1590. She was the daughter of 14. Nicholas Barker and 15. Joan?.

Child of John Isham and Elizabeth Barker is:
3i.Mira Dorcas Isham, born Abt. 1590; married Bartholomew Hoskins Jun 1624 in London, Middlesex, England.

Generation No. 4

8. John Hoskins, born 1540 in Herefordshire, England; died 1607 in England. He was the son of 16. John Hoskins and 17. Elizabeth ?. He married 9. Margery Jones.
9. Margery Jones, born Abt. 1540.

Child of John Hoskins and Margery Jones is:
4i.John Hoskins, born Mar 1565/66 in Herefordshire, England; died Aug 1638 in Herefordshire, England; married Benedicta Moyle Bourne.

14. Nicholas Barker, born Abt. 1520 in Sonning, Berkshire, England. He married 15. Joan?.
15. Joan?, born Abt. 1520.

Child of Nicholas Barker and Joan? is:
7i.Elizabeth Barker, born Abt. 1559 in England; died 1590; married John Isham.

Generation No. 5

16. John Hoskins, born 1505 in Herefordshire, England. He married 17. Elizabeth ? 1527 in Herefordshire, England.
17. Elizabeth ?, born 1510 in England.

Child of John Hoskins and Elizabeth ? is:
8i.John Hoskins, born 1540 in Herefordshire, England; died 1607 in England; married Margery Jones.

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Ancestors of Charles Emmet Marshall

Generation No. 11

1536. Father of Ambrose Meador, born Abt. 1575 in Suffolk Co.?, England.

Children of Father of Ambrose Meador are:

768 i. Ambrose Meador, born Abt. 1600 in England; died Abt. 1663; married [--?--].

ii. Thomas Meads Meador, born Abt. 1605 in England.

Notes for Thomas Meads Meador:

I believe there are two Thomases-- this one who had several children, and another, the son of Ambrose. This Thomas might well have been Ambrose's brother, and I will carry him that way, though there is no proof at all.

Recently, a lengthy and unusually comprehensive amount of data on the earliest American Meadors was posted at the Meador board on rootsweb. I am extracting from it here as posted by Jerry Ferren, <jferren1@cs.com> March, 2002. It begins with Ambrose and his sons, then addresses Thomas:

(In reading this, I find it a bit confusing. This arises from the Thomases he mentions-- I think Thomas Meador son of Ambrose is not Thomas Meads. I think Thomas Meads is Ambrose's brother, or certainly someone closer in age to Ambrose than a son. This means the first sentence below is incorrect, but I leave these notes here for the reader.....)

"Thomas Meads arrived in Virginia prior to 1636 with his ~~Father~~ brother Ambrose Meador. At present nothing is known of the early years of Thomas Meads. The first records of this name are in the head right grants by the Governor of the Jamestown Colony; a Thomas Meades surrendered his head right grant of 50 acres of land in 1636 to John Gater of Elizabeth City. This grant was reconfirmed two years later when it was combined and reissued with two others, and Thomas Meads is again shown as surrendering his 50 acres.

"While there is no proof that this Thomas was our ancestor, no other suitable immigration record has been found. While the date shown is possibly several years behind the actual entry of the transaction, due to the usual delay in confirming and recording grants, certainly the available evidence points to this as the approximate time of his arrival.

"The name of (another) Thomas Meads is next found in the records of Lancaster County, Virginia, in 1653, at which time Thomas purchased 700 acres of land from William Underwood. Underwood was granted 1400 acres on the northeast shore of the Rappahannock River, between Milleck Creek (sometimes known as Willimson's Creek, but now known as Ball's Creek) and Bushwood Creek (now known as Little Carter Creek). The portion purchased by Thomas Meads appears to have been the lower half of this grant, which was the portion falling next to Milleck Creek. Here Thomas established his home on higher ground behind an excellent river landing. This place still appears on modern maps as "Islington Landing", but this name does not seem to have been applied to the area until a hundred years later, for it does not appear in

early records.

"It is important to note that Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador could not have made the above purchase, as that son was no more than 16 to 18 years old, too young for such a deed. This transaction is of such magnitude as would indicate a man of moderate wealth, a status hardly to be expected of a younger son. This distinction becomes more apparent later in the will of Thomas Meads the elder. But because they lived less than two miles apart, it is rather difficult to separate the records of these two Thomas Meadors, as well as those of the son of the elder Thomas. Nevertheless, it would appear likely that the following entries are for the elder Thomas Meads.

"An entry in Lancaster records in 1653 concerns an indentured servant of Thomas Meads named Bour Harrison, who ran away and was returned, for which he was sentenced by the court to serve an additional nine months at the expiration of his term of indenture. It should be noted that many children were bound out to earn their support of to learn a trade, particularly orphan children. When the age of 17 years was reached they were discharged, with a suit of new clothes and provisions, or to keep the results of their labors if they chose to stay. Many fared far better under this arrangement than they would have otherwise.

"Another entry concerns two cows sold by Thomas Meads in 1653 to Minor Doeders. As all cattle had been imported originally from England, they were quite valuable at this time and were often mentioned in wills. Thomas Meads was appointed constable on April 6, 1654, with the oath administered by James Williamson. As a reflection of his standing in the community, the plantation of Thomas Meads was chosen in February 1654, as the rallying point for a small army of volunteers who marched from his grounds overland to the village of the Rappahannock Indians to obtain a peace treaty. Undoubtedly the excellent landing at Thomas's plantation and the proximity of the Indian village, which was perhaps near the site of the present town of Warsaw, had some influence in this choice. In September/October 1654 Thomas Meads tithed for 3 male adults. The levy (tax) was 60 pounds of tobacco per poll.

"The remaining records of Thomas Meads (Meades, Meader) in Lancaster County concern his will and the court deliberations over the distribution of his estate. The will was written March 5, 1654... The will was entered for probate 3 months later on June 6, 1655 (accounting for a calendar change); it also bears the date June 12, 1655, perhaps added by the copyist. It reads as follows:

"The Will of Thomas Meads/Meador

"The last will and testament of Thomas Meads made the 5th day of March (1654). I do bequeath my body to the Earth and my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole and absolute Executor. I do give to my wife and daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the said plantation not to be my daughter's until after my wife's decease. I do give to my two sons Thomas Meador and John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two daughters Margaret and Joyce two thousand pounds of tobacco and cask at their day of marriage, and in case either of them die that the said tobacco to belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife and sons and daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall equally divided amongst them. I do give to my daughter Anne all the cattle that belongeth to her which is about five head of cattle, likewise I do give unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day and year above written.

Thomas Mead
His mark

Rawleigh Travers
John Richardson
Edward Bradshaw

(Editor: Surely a Thomas with two sons and four daughters and considerable estate was born several years ahead of Ambrose's son Thomas....)

"It should be pointed out here that the will presently exists only as a third-hand copy. Of course, the actual will itself was not filed in the record book --the clerk copied the will. That original record book no longer exists. In the early 1700s many of the badly deteriorated volumes were laboriously hand-copied for preservation, this book among them. So what we have today is a copy of a copy, and copying errors are to be expected. Certainly the signature to the will is not that of Thomas Meads, and the spelling may well be

questioned. Early day penmanship.... was such that it was often impossible to distinguish between (letters). That the signature of Thomas Meads was written out, perhaps even the entire will, and those of the witnesses (except for Edward Bradshaw) (and Rawleigh Travers who was the county sheriff), indicates a degree of literacy for Thomas and his witnesses.

"Probate of the will was granted to George Bryer, a neighbor, and as was the custom, the court ordered an appraisal of the estate. This appraisal was done by four men, including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, and was returned to the court December 10, 1655. The value was established as 17,502 pounds of tobacco, equivalent at the time to about 109 pounds sterling, a respectable, though not huge, sum for the time. Because "hard" money was scarce in the colonies, everything was valued in terms of its worth in tobacco, on a sort of barter system.

"As testified by the will, Thomas Meads left a widow, two sons, and four daughters. Quite possibly all these children were under legal age, since at the time when Thomas had entered the country some nineteen years or so before, he had been single. His son Thomas Meador Jr. seems to have been the oldest, but was still under the legal age, as in the court session of August 6, 1655 Thomas Meador Meads, orphan, petitioned the court that William Underwood be appointed his guardian. Further, it was ordered that the estate of Thomas Meades, deceased, then in the hands of George Bryer, be delivered to Underwood.

"In January 1655 (actually 1656 by modern dating), the Lancaster Court found that the estate was still undivided and in the hands of George Bryer. The court then ordered four men, again including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, to divide the estate according to the will of the deceased.

"It will be seen from the above records that not only did Ambrose and Thomas Meads (Meader) live less than two miles apart, but that there was considerable participation by Ambrose in the affairs of Thomas. Yet we find no statement in the records of their relationship, though many opportunities for such a simple expression as "brother" or "cousin" were passed by, leaving the question unresolved.

"Nor are the records clear about the fate of the unnamed widow or of her children. There is only one reference that daughter Joyce was in the custody of William Underwood; that is all.

"The land mentioned in the will of Thomas Meads appears to have been the 700 acres that had been purchased from William Underwood. The creek mentioned in the will is not identified there, but a plot of this tract reveals that it would have been divided roughly in half by the lower section and first branch of what is called "Juggs Creek" today. This would imply that approximately 350 acres west of "Juggs Creek would have been intended for sons Thomas Meador (Jr.) and John, while the remaining 350 acres east of the creek was to go to daughter Mary, after the death of her mother.

700 acres

"The tract was still undivided in December 1658, when Thomas Meador Meades (the orphan) contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Haire, "that was given to me by my father, Thomas Meades, deceased, and to my brother (name missing) in case that part of the land... shall fall to my lott at the dividing of the said land." In actuality, it is found through later deeds that Mary obtained possession of the entire 700-acre tract, but in what manner is unknown. Perhaps the portion allotted to Thomas Meador was exchanged for rights to the grant on Hoskins Creek.

"Nor does the will of Thomas Meads make mention of grant lands on Hoskins Creek, south of the Rappahannock River, possibly because these grants had not been finalized. Yet, a grant in 1664 applying to the 450 acres on Hoskins Creek indicates that the grant had been left to Thomas Meador Meader, orphan, by the will of his father, Thomas Meader, deceased. Thus, we have evidence that the elder Thomas Meads Meader (Meads, Meades) bought from John Cooke this 450 acre tract, which descended after his death to his son, Thomas Meader, orphan. While this series of transactions was recorded in 1664 (long after Thomas Meads had made his will and died), it would appear possible that the actions were started about the time Thomas Meads died, and were carried to completion later by Thomas Meador Meader, orphan. The fact that he did not yet possess the land on Hoskins Creek may explain why Thomas Meads (the elder) did not include mention of it in his will. Of course, one could conclude that there was yet another Thomas Meades who was the recipient of the grant. But this would require that there be a second pair of Thomas Meader's father and son, with the further coincidence that the son would be known as Thomas Meader, orphan. A review of the lineage of Ambrose Meador reveals that such a father/son combination did not exist among the descendants. This is a vital link in determining our lineage, for subsequent deeds for this 450 acre tract make clear that, after the land was inherited by John Meador from his father, Thomas Meador, orphan, the lineage is unmistakable.

"In summary, it has been found that Thomas Meads left only two surviving heirs to his property, son Thomas Meador Meader and daughter Mary Meads Hobbs." (Editor: not clear to me how this is derived.)

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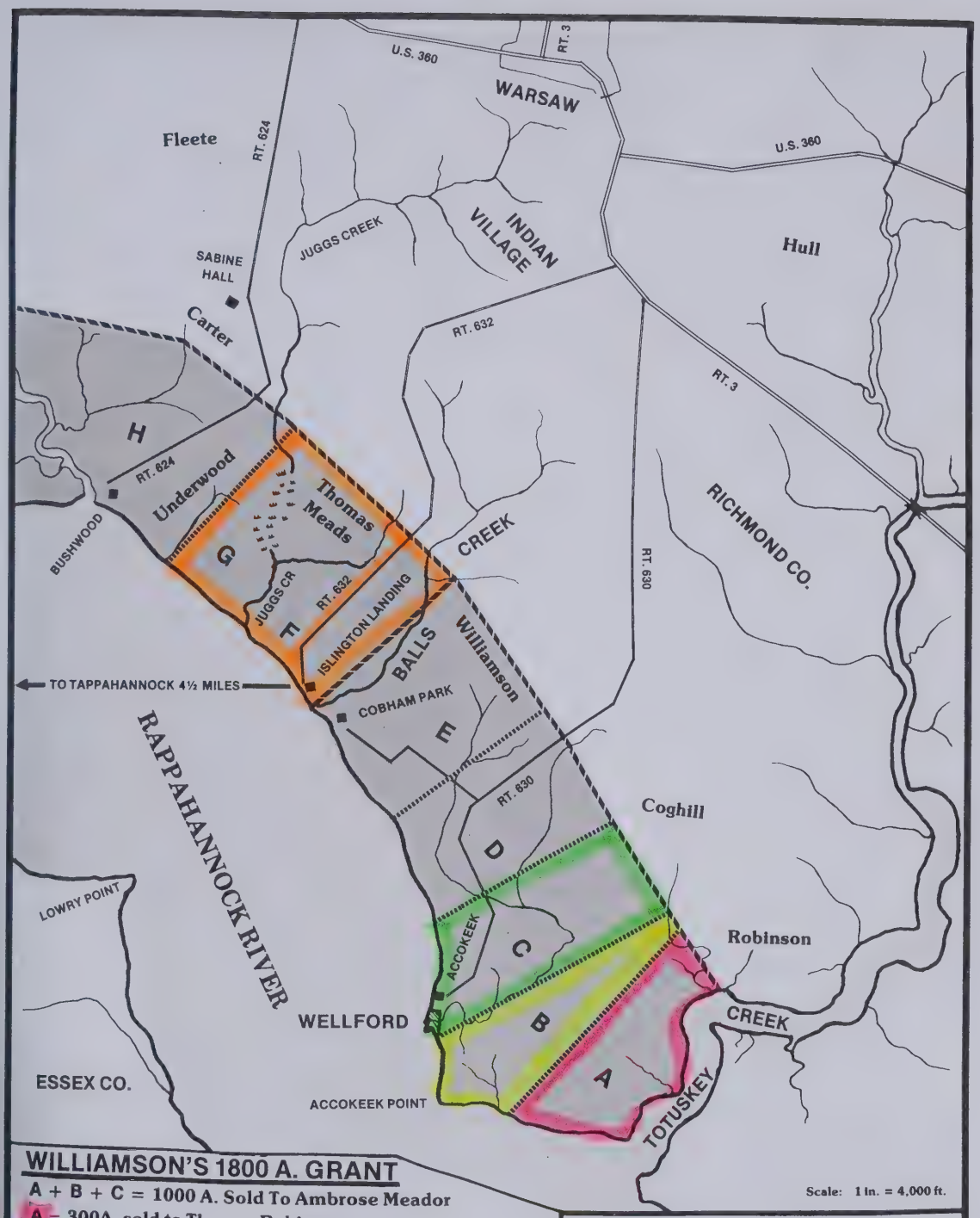

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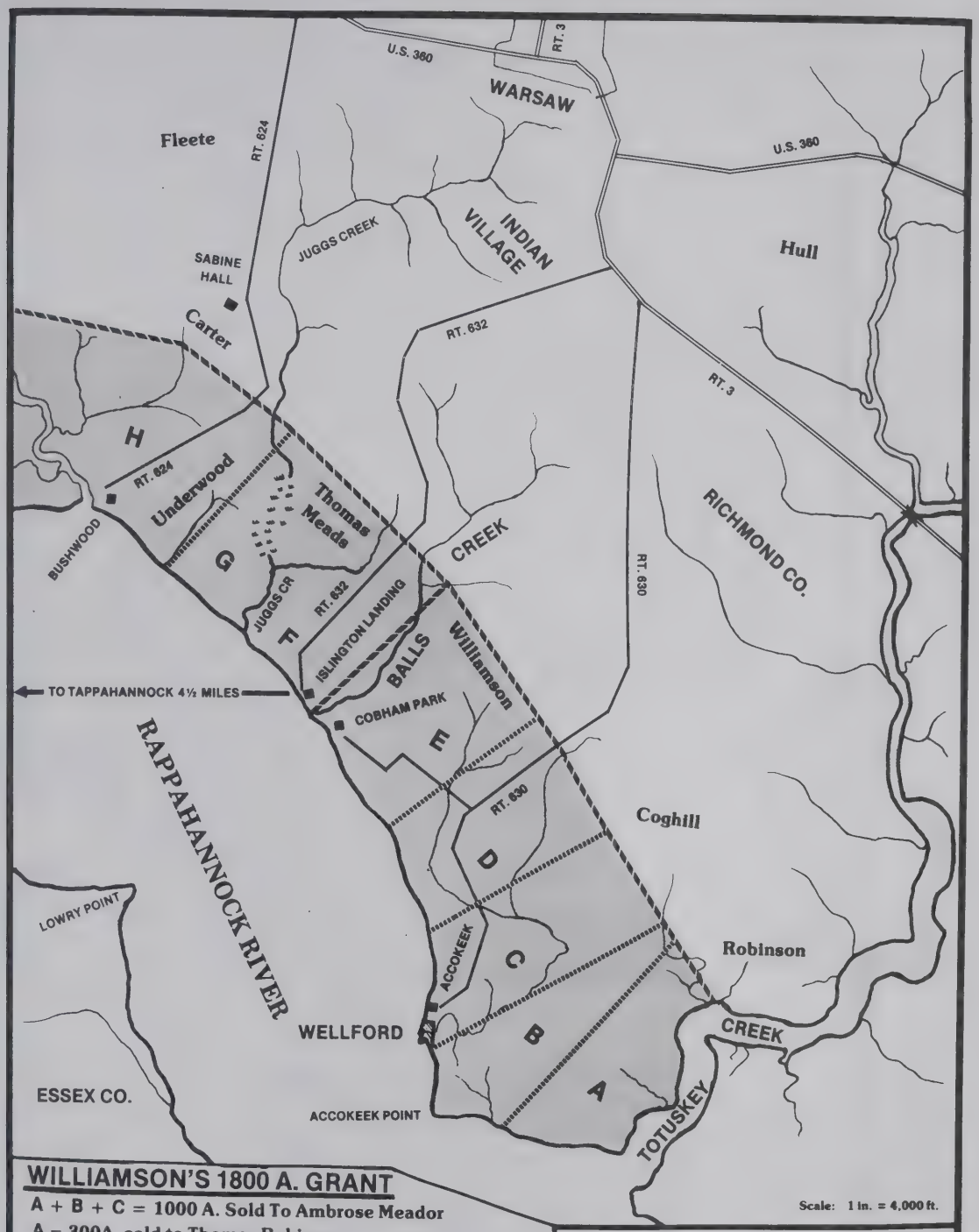

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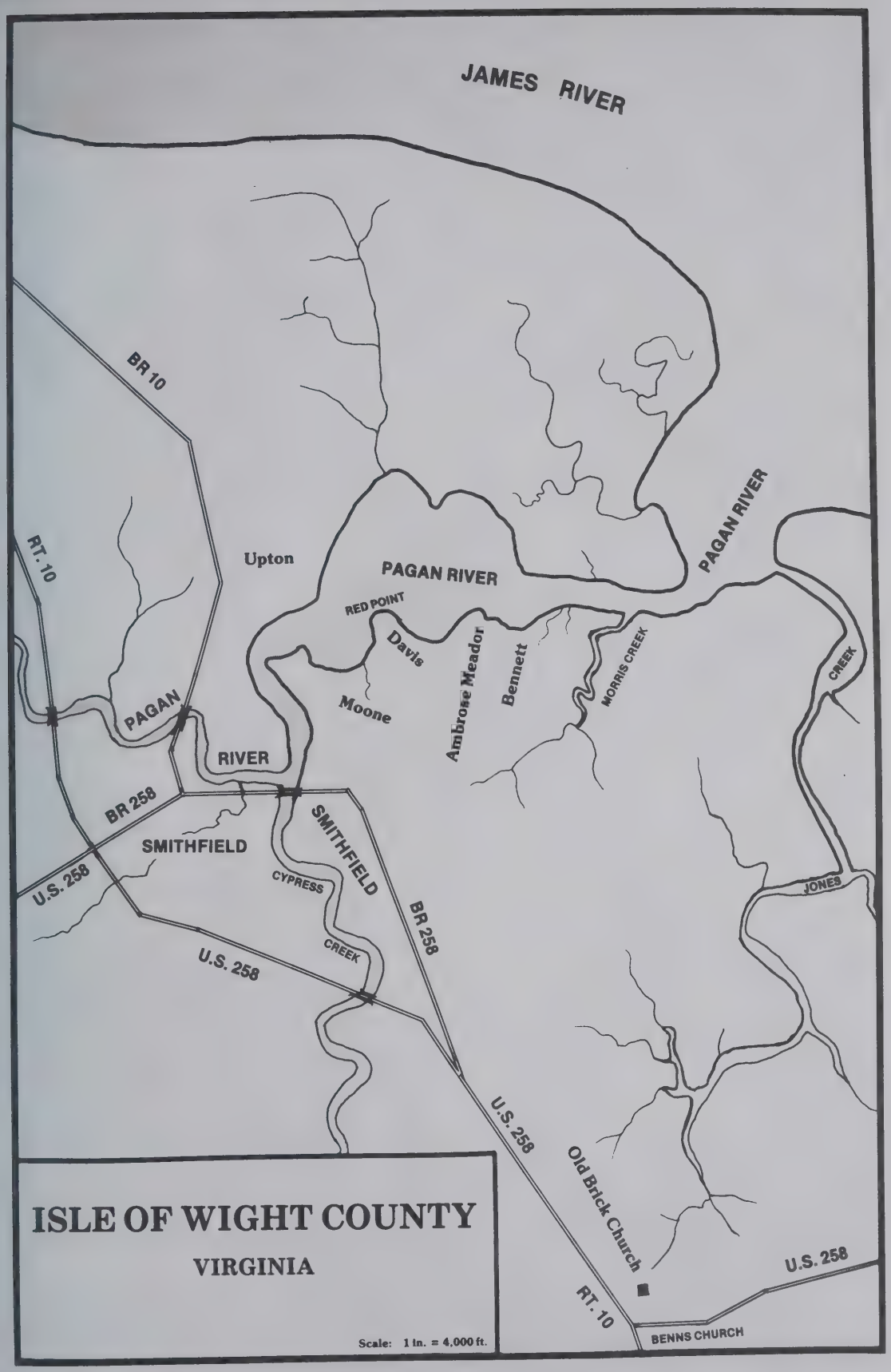
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Our
MEADOR FAMILIES
in
COLONIAL AMERICA

As found in the records of
Isle of Wight, Lancaster,
(Old) Rappahannock, Richmond,
Essex and Caroline Counties, Virginia.

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The Indians and Bacon's Rebellion

From the founding of the Jamestown colony in 1607, relations with the local Indian tribes had been a continuing problem. Resentment of the encroachment upon their traditional tribal lands had led to much unrest among the Indians. The massacres of 1622 and 1644 took a great toll of the colonists. As the migration to the New World increased, the pressure for additional land caused the settlers to force the Indians from more and more areas. Despite many treaties with the natives and restrictive laws by the Jamestown authorities, the occupation of outlying areas continued.

For a time, white settlement was forbidden above the Pamunkey River; later this prohibition was only for land above the Piscattaway and Totuskey Creeks. But many settlers filed claim upon the choice river front lands, and by 1646-1650 (as detailed in the first chapter) grants were being given along the Rappahannock River on these areas. The river valley was occupied principally by the Rappahannock Indians, with a few villages of Mattaponi, Moratticoes, Totuskeys, Portobagoes, and others. These tribes were forced into the forested lands behind the mile-deep grants. Behind the grants to James Williamson, William Underwood, and the land of Thomas Meads and others on the east bank of the river, the Rappahannock Indians had villages at Totuskey Creek, Cat Point Creek, and the present site of Warsaw.

Tension between the settlers and the Indians remained high, and there were recurring raids, for which the nearby Rappahannocks received most of the blame. In February, 1654,[1] a small army was raised, with 100 men from Lancaster County, 40 from Northumberland, and 30 from Westmoreland to meet the threat. They met at the plantation of Thomas Meades on the eastern shore, and were to march from thence to the village of the Rappahannocks (probably near Warsaw) to ensure peace, without provoking hostilities. The outcome is not recorded, but the Rappahannocks seemingly caused no trouble.

Not so with the Doegs, the Susquehannocks, and the Senecas (from Maryland), whose numerous raids into the northern colonies caused great hardships during

that some Counties may not be totally ruined whilst others live in...peace and quietness, whilst poore Rappahannock lies ableeding whose number of people murthered and estates destroyed can find no parallel in Virginia...for wile we are tending corn to feed our wives and children, the Indians...would butcher us in our fields, they being so frequent about us that we dare not stir from our plantations."[3]

Governor Berkeley ordered the colonists to band together, ten men to a house, and ordered a 500-man army raised to defend the frontiers. To support this army, a tax of 500 pounds of tobacco per poll was levied. This was a very dear tax, as in that year (1676) there had been a severe drouth and crop failure. An army of 250 men was raised under the command of Major Thomas Truman of Maryland and Col. John Washington of Virginia, but proved ineffective against the hit-and-run tactics of the Indians.

Dissatisfaction with these measures led the colonists to raise a volunteer army of their own, and a wealthy, cocky newcomer from England, Nathaniel Bacon, was chosen as their leader. Bacon's request to the Governor for a commission to lead this army was refused, so he determined to set out on his own. With his little army he raided some "tame" Pamunkeys, then assaulted some friendly Occaneechees, killing 30 of them. Governor Berkeley declared him a rebel, whereupon Bacon seized Jamestown and forced Berkeley to grant him a commission. Bacon then issued a "Declaration of the People," which has since been hailed as democracy proclaimed a hundred years before the American Revolution. Protesting the colonial government even more than the Indian situation, Bacon decried the unjust taxation, the favoritism shown by the authorities, the monopoly of trade, and the poor defense of the colonies.

Governor Berkeley fled to lands east of the Potomac River, but his fortunes soon changed and he returned to Jamestown. Bacon then laid seige to the town, recapturing it, and burned it. Thus matters stood when Bacon died in October, 1676, and support for his "rebellion" faded away.[4] The colonists had been severely divided over support for Bacon or for the royal governor, and this division was pronounced in the outlying colony of Rappahannock County. In reprisal, Governor Berkeley seized much of the property of the rebels, and

Indian church at Beasley; and there are reports that traces of an Indian settlement have been found on the Meador plantation,[6] but no records have been found to this effect.

Participating in the resettlement in January, 1684 were Henry Awbrey, who served as overseer and go-between as well as furnishing his boat; Robert Tomlin, Jr., who supplied a sloop and a smaller boat; and several men including (3) John Meador. John was reimbursed by the court for 9 days service and the use of his horse.[7]

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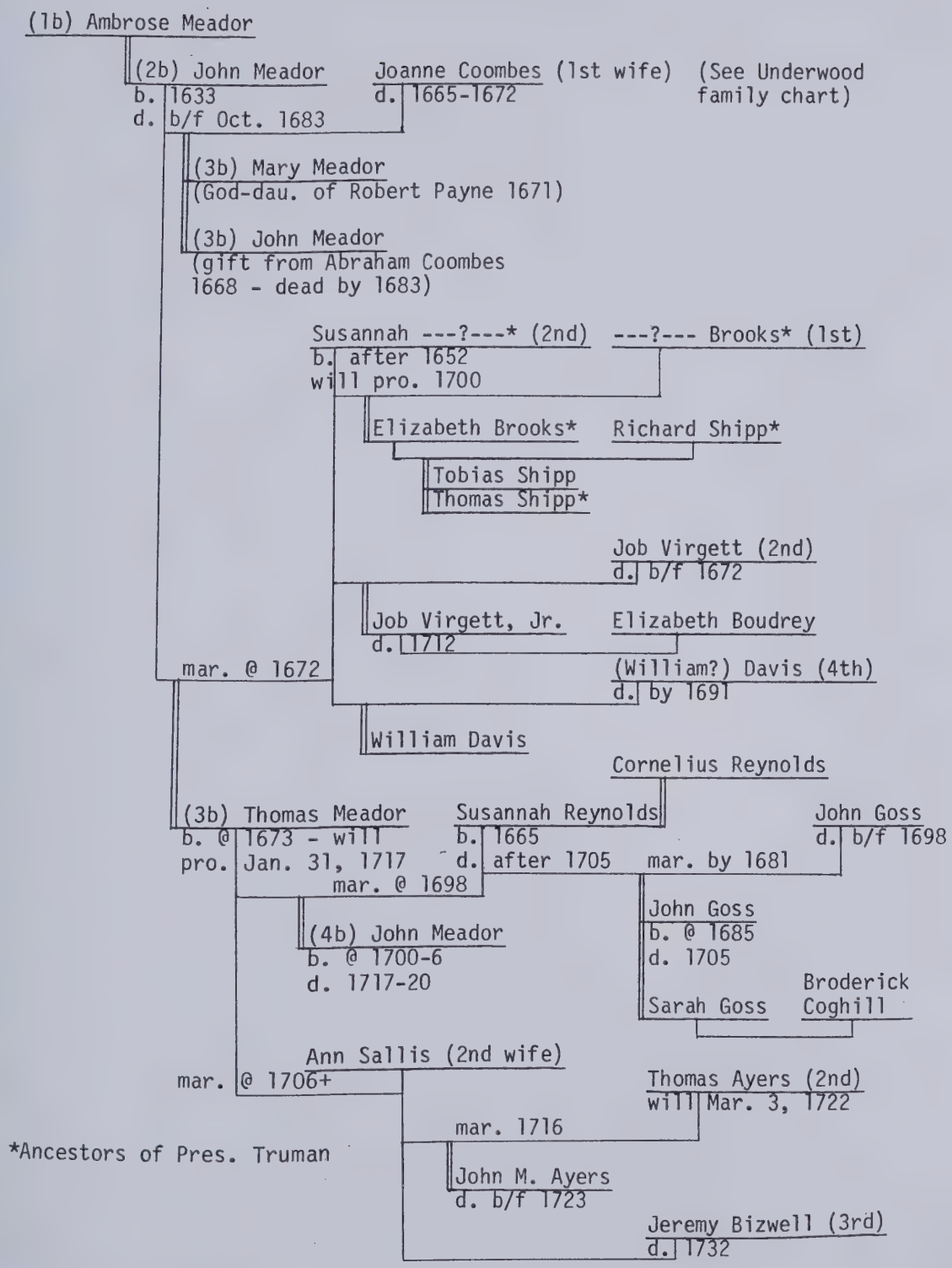
(2b) John Meador Family



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Meador Geneaology

Meador family

The LDS Church has records from England in the files and this what I found there. Could this be our Meador family??????. Your guess is as good as mine.

Meador

Ambrose MEAD Christening: 1 Sep 1583 St. Marys, Watford, Hertford, England Father: Willm. MEAD

Willm. MEAD Christening: 8 Aug 1585 St. Marys, Watford, Hertford, England Father: Wm. MEAD

Tho. MEAD Christening: **10 May 1590 St. Marys, Watford, Hertford, England Father: Willm. MEAD**

The Meador family: Note this lineage lines was sent to me by Meador family member. There is wonderful researcher by the name June Bork. She posts on the net her findings. I am posting her finds to let you know she is the one who did this wonderful work.

First of all I would like to thank Mr. Victor Paul Meador for letting me copy some of the things that he has found and published in his book **"MEADOR FAMILES OF VIRGINIA AND POINTS WEST"**.

VPM. **Both Thomas and a possible brother Ambrose Meador(actually his father), had their passages paid by others**, to whom they were surrendered their "headrights grants" pf 50 acres of land each in **1636.** Ambrose settled in Isle of Wright County, Virginia There is one more link for these men as brothers. Ambrose left Isle of Wright County, Virginia and settled **Northeast shore of the Rappahannock River. What is now Richmond Co. Ambrose owned 1000 acres and Thomas own 750 acres.**

To find these land records go to the **Library of Virginia**.

Victor Paul Meador says:

"Ambrose Meador (d.ca.1661/1663) immigrated from England to Warrisquicke (later Isle of Wight) County, Virginia before 1636, and moved about 1649 to Lancaster County, Virginia. Descendants lived in Virginia and elsewhere."

and

"Thomas Meador (d.1655) immigrated from England to Jamestown, Virginia in the early 1630s, with a possible brother Ambrose Meador. Thomas settled in Isle of Wight County, and moved about 1650 to the north- east shore of the Rappahannock River (in present Richmond County). No supporting evidence has been found of the ancestry of Thomas in England, though many believe his ancestry lived in Suffolk County. "Within these three volumes are named more than 37,000 descendants of Thomas Meador and their spouses, encompassing up to sixteen generations. Is this everyone descended from Thomas Meador? Certainly not ..."--Introduction (v.1, p. 1). Descendants and relatives lived in Virginia, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, California and elsewhere."

Generation I

Father Meads born in England.

His children were.

1.Ambrose MEADS was born about 1580 and died on 24 Dec 1661.

2 **Thomas MEADES b: 1612 in England d: Bef. 06 June 1655 in Essex Co., VA m'd Sarah UNKNOWN b: 1600 in England d: Aft. 1655 in Virginia**

Generation II

Ambrose MEADS (father) was born about 1580 in England. He died on 24 Dec 1661 in VA. He married unknown in 1599 in England. NGN (no given name) was born about 1582 in England. Ambrose and Unknown wife's children:

1. Thomas the younger MEADES d: Aft or abt 1662

2. John MEADORS b: Abt. 1633 d: Bef. 1683 m'd Jane COOMBES

Note from Janet: I was send Ambrose land records: Stating " Know All Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meader of the county of Rappa. in Virginia consideraun to me paid by Thomas Meador my son of the county aforesaid (missing) heirs Exes Amrs and assignes five grant bargain sell and assigns ever unto the said Thomas Meader a parcell of land conteyning three hundred acres being part of one thousand acres of land sold and conveyed unto me Ambrose Meader by James Williamson as by a deed of sale under the hand and seal of the said Willimson plainly appeareth situatle lying and being on the north side of Rappa River the said three hundred acres of land edjoying unto the upon the land Thomas Robinson which land ther said Robyson purchased of me Ambrose Meador likewise being part of the one thousand acres or land unto him the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admirs and assignes for Ever with all rights and priviledges thereunto belong and appertaining I the said Ambrose Meader do for me my heirs Exrs and Admirs hereby promise to wawrrant and defend the said three hundred acres of land from all persons claiming by Witnes whre of I the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs. Admrs or assignes. In witness whereof I the said Ambrose have hereunto put my hand and seal this 30th day of August anno dam 1658

Ambrose (M(his mark)) Meador

in presence of Clement Herbert and John (his mark) Meader

Know All men by these presents that I Thomas Meader of the countie of Rappa.(in Virgnia for a Vallubale)(Note do not ask what this said I only copy what it look like note per Janet) consideersaon to me in hand paid by Richard Tomlynson of the same County Planter (have given granted) bargained and sold and coafirmed and do by these presents for me my heirs and assignes give grant bargined and sell unto the said Richard Tomlynson. One hundred and fifty acres of land lying and being on (missing) Rappa River aforesaid and bing part of a devident of thee hundred acres lately given granted and (missing) said Thomas Meader by Ambrose Meader (my father) TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said one hundred and fifty acres of land with all the houses (orchards & c) thereunton belonging and appertaning (missing) priviledges thereunto belonging (missing) according to the tennour and (missing) by the rents and services (missing) unto ther said Richard Tomlynson his heirs and assignes forever against all persons claiming by from or under me the said Thomas Meader (missing) (Ambrose) Meader my father or his heirs and have hereunto put my hand and seal date this (missing) ammo 1657

Thomas Meader

in the presence of George Bryer, Christopher Brummrigge and Robert Sison

Note from Janet: The reason for (missing) the original docuement was burned in places that state as missing. Also notice that Thomas sold his land date 1657 before his father sold him his land in 1658.

Generation III

Thomas the younger MEADES d: Aft or abt 1662

13 Apr 1662 - 12 Jul 1662(Old Rappahannock Co, Va. DB Part II of 1656-1664:187-188) Apr. 13, 1662. These presents Witnesseth that I Sarah MEADER Widdow Wife of Thomas MEADER the Younger leately deced in the County of Rappa. I Sarah MEADER do bind & oblige myself my Exrs. or Admrs. to confirme unto my Son John MEADER Sone unto Thomas MEADER lateley deced one yoak of Oxen & one gun Seaven foot by the barrell to be delivered unto my Son John MEADER when he comes of age & furthermore I give as my full act & deed unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER one red Cow called Cherry & her Cow Calf & increase to my aforesaid Daughter only excepting the male of the catle to fall unto me the abovesaid Sarah MEADER untill my Daughter be full Eleven years of age & after the expiracon of the aforesaid years male & female to fall unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER. Item I give unto my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER Daughter of the abovesaid Thomas MEADOR one Black heaffer named Slippey she & her increase to my youngest only the male Excepted to fall unto I the said Sarah MEADER untill my youngest Daughter be fully nine years of age & after the Expiracon of the aforesaid nine years male & female to fall unto Mary MEADER & if it shall please God that my Eldest Daughter shall dye in her minority that all her Catle & their increase shall fall unto her Sister Mary MEADER and likewise in case it should please God that my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER should dye in her minority that her Catle unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER & furthermore in case that my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER her heiffer should miscarry before she comes to perfeccon that there shall another heiffer or Cow of the same age & her increase to be made good as aforesaid to my Daughter Mary MEADER … to be recorded in Court the first or second Courte ensuing the date hereof by any person that I the said Sarah MEADER shall appoint always provided that there be severall marks nominate & recorded for the abovesaid Childrens Catle them & their increase. In confirmacon I Sarah MEADER bind myself…my hand this 13th day of Aprill 1662. In presence of Abraham COOMBE Sarah [T] MEADER William CLAWSON

These Presents testifieth that I, Sarah MEADER, late wife of Thomas MEADER dec'd. in the County of Rappa. oblige myself to give & allow my children a sufficient & compleat maintenance in every respect as all other ought to do and further more to give them four years a piece Education in learning according as the Country doth afford. In confirmation whereof I Sarah MEADER do bind & oblige myself my heirs or assignes for the performance of this above menconed In presence of Abraham COMBE [sic] /s/ Sarah (+) MEADER William CLAWSON. Recorded July 12, 1662 (Old Rappahannock County Deed Abstracts 1656-1664, Part II, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, McLean, VA)

Notes: The above Thomas & Sarah (-----) MEADER family have not yet been identified, but were presumably closely related to John MEADOR whom Abraham COMBS termed his "brother in law" in 1683 (See Below). See also Old Rappa Co VA re William CLAWSON of Worcester (Maryland>Delaware or EN?) and Maryland

Note from Janet: again the Combs family mix the two Johns. John the son of Thomas is not the John who married Joan Combs. John that married Joan Combs is this Thomas brother.

The Children of Thomas and Sarah:

1 John MEADER

2 Thomas MEADER

3 Susanna MEADER

4 Mary MEADER

John Meadors (Ambrose Meades, Father) was born Abt. 1633 in Virginia Colony, and died Bef. 1683. He married Jane Coombes.

Children of John Meadors and Jane Coombes are:

1.Mary Meadows.

2.Thomas Meadows, born 1673; died Abt. 1717.

Information on the Combs family and Meador family links

Deed Abstracts of Old Rappahannock County, Virginia, Part I of 1672-1676, Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1989)

9 Sep 1666. (Old Rappa DB 3:126-127) Katherine BLACKBOURNE appoints Jno. MEADER to be her attorney in fact, witnessed by Abraham COMBES and Ro: PAYNE CIC. (Old Rappahannock County Deed Abstracts, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, McLean, VA)

(Old Rappahannock County Deed Abstracts, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, McLean, VA)

12 Apr 1666 (Old Rappahannock DB 3:53) Apr. 12, 1666. Henry PEETERS in the County of Rappa. in Virga doe constitute...my Friend Abraham COMBS to be my Lawfull Attorney for me and in my name...to answer the suite of Jno. SMYTH as alsoe to Implead the sd SMYTH at my suite in the County Court abovesd... /s/ Henry (H) PETERS Wits: Christopher BLACKBOURNE, Tho: FRESHWATER

(Old Rappahannock County Deed Abstracts, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, McLean, VA)

Notes: Henry PETERS & John MEADOR (brother in law of Abraham COMBS) owned a large land patent on Peumans End Run where John COMBSof Richmond Co VA (s/o Archdale) also owned 200 A. which he bequeathed in 1716 to his son, Mason COMBS (1714-1785 Surry NC).

The last record of Abraham COMBS while still probably a resident of Old Rappa. Co VA is the following:

11 Sep 1668(Old Rappahannock VA DB4:283) Mr. PAYNE I pray be pleased to doe me that favor as to be my atturney in ye recording of one cow calfe for the use of John MEDOR Junr & the marke & soe doing you will much oblige him who is yr Esteemed Friend. (s) Abraham COOMBES The calfe is marked with a Flowre Deluce on the right ear & a swallowfork on the Left - September the 11th 1668. Teste. John MEDOR, Samuell JOHNSON (Old Rappahannock Co, VA Deed Abstracts, 1668-1672, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1987, p. 149)

Notes: The above Robert PAYNE was godfather of Mary MEADOR, daughter of John and Joanne (COMBS?) Meador, Sr. The above is also the last record located in Virginia thus far for Abraham COMBS until a final record in 1683

In 1683, Abraham COMBS is found for the last time in the records of Old Rappahannock Co, VA:

16 Oct 1683(Old Rap Co., Va DB 7:155) Whereas Abraham COMBE of the Province of Maryland, Gent.,

did formerly put in the hands & possession of my late Brother in Law John MEADOR, dec'd., one heifer for the use and Acct. of my Godson John MEADOR, Son of John MEADOR the Elder deceased wch the said John MEADOR, the Son deceased in his minority Now Know all men by these presents that I Abraham COOMBE do by these presents give Mary MEADOR Daughter of the said John MEADOR the Elder deced and sole Sister of the said John MEADOR the Son, two cowes and two calves...And in case of the death of sd Mary without issue of her body lawfully begotten then I do hereby give the cowes and calves with all their future increase unto Richd. MEADOR son of John MEADOR of Rappa. Co. now liveing...

Wits: Henry AUBREY, John ALMOND /s/ Abra: COOMBE

(Old Rappahannock County Deed Book, 1652-1656, Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1990.)

How John MEADOR and Abraham COMBS were brothers-in-law remains unknown: Was John MEADOR'S wife Joan nee COMBS, as many researchers believe? Or were John and Abraham married to sisters? Or Abraham to a MEADOR? Likewise, the identities of Richard MEADOR and his father "John MEADOR now liveing" are not yet determined. Could "John MEADOR now living" have been the son of Thomas & Sarah (-----) Meador?

Janet: Please make note that Combs family states "They don't know which John is which. They mix the two Johns. John with son Richard is related to Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr. was born in 1638/1641 and died about 1662. and the John with wife Joan Combs is the son of Ambrose Meadors.

Is this land records this John land?

MULTIMEDIA Patent GRANTEE Meakes, John. grantee. DATE 20 August 1642. NOTE Location: County location not given. NOTE Description: 200 acres in Mobjacke bay, on the South side of the Southerne branch of Severne. NOTE Source: Land Office Patents No. 1, 1623-1643 (v.1 & 2), p. 809 (Reel 1). NOTE Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia. OTHER FORMAT Available on microfilm. Virginia State Land Office. Patents 1-42, reels 1-41.

Generation IV

Thomas MEADOR (John Meadors, AmbroseMeades, Father) was born in 1673. He died before 31 Jan 1717 in Will proven on this date.Thomas married Susannah REYNOLDS in 1698. Susannah was born in 1665. She died before 31 Jan 1717 in Will proven on this date. He married (2) Ann Sallis Aft. 1710.

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Meador m bef 1705 Susanna Reynolds dau Cornelius, who d bef that date. Proven by deed of tht date Essex Co. He was son of John and Elizabeth White she widow of John Goss. THIS IS WRONG FOR THIS JOHN as his father. She made mistake here.

They had the following children:

1. John MEADOR was born in 1700/1706.

Note this all that I know about Ambrose Meador family.

NOW THOMAS MEADES LINEAGE LINE:

Generation II

From now on this webpage will be deal with

Thomas MEADES b: 1612 in England d: Bef. 06 June 1655 in Essex Co., VA m'd Sarah UNKNOWN b: 1600 in England d: Aft. 1655 in Virginia Lineage lines:

Thomas MEADES (father) b: 1612 in England d: Bef. 06 June 1655 in Essex Co., VA m'd Sarah UNKNOWN b: 1600 in England d: Aft. 1655 in Virginia

They had the following children:

1. Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr. was born in 1638/1641 and died about 1662.

2. John MEADES b: 1638 in Lancaster Co., VA

3. Mary MEADOR was born in 1640 in VA, married Richard HOBBS. b: 1644 d: 1683

4. Margaret MEADOR was born in 1642 in VA.

5. Joyce MEADOR was born in 1644 in VA.

6. Anne MEADOR was born in 1646 in VA.

VPM found Thomas will and has let me post it. The Library of Virginia is place to look for the original.

"THE WILL OF THOMAS MEADS/MEADOR"

The last will and testament of Tho. Meads made the 5th day of March (54) Impnt. I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Excr. **I do give to my wife & Daughter Mary this plantation** that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the ad. plantation not to be my Daughter's 'till after my wife's decease. I do give to **my two sons, Tho & John Meads** all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two daughters **Margaret & Joyce** out of s. land two thousand pounds of tob. Cask at their day of marriage, and in case either of the [m] die that the sd. Tob. To belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife & sons & my Daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them. I do give to my Daughter Ann' all the cattle that belonged to her which is about five head of cattle, and likewise I do unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day & year above written.

Thomas Mead

12 da. Juny 1655

Witness

Rawleigh Travers

Edward (his mark) Bradshaw

Phat 6 da Juny 1655.

GRANTEE Meads, Thomas. grantee. DATE 7 September 1654. Location: County location not given. Grantee(s): Meads, Thomas, and John Phillips. Description: 1000 acres on the south side of the Freshes of Rappa: River about 16 Miles above Nanzemum Towne. Source: Land Office Patents No. 3, 1652-1655, p. 376 (Reel 2). Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia. The link for Library of Virginia is listed above.

Generation No. 3

Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr. (Thomas Meades, Father) was born in 1638/1641 in VA. He died about 1662 in VA.Thomas married Sarah HOSKINS in 1658/1659 in VA. Sarah was born about 1638 in VA. She died in 1672. Thomas MEADOR Jr. (Thomas MEADS, Ambrose MEADS, Daniel) was born in 1638/1641 in VA. He died about 1662 in VA. Thomas Meador died, **Mrs. Sarah ____ Meador, the widow, married 2nd to Henry Awbrey and had son Richard Awbrey m'd Dorothy North.**

Therefore John Meador and Richard Awbrey were 1/2 brothers with the same mother. Per June Bork

They had the following children:

1. John MEADOR Sr., born 1658 in Charles Parish, Lancaster/Essex, VA; died 14 May 1721 in Essex Co., VA.

2. Thomas Meadors, born 1658-1662; died 1718 in Virginia

3. Susannah Meadows, born 1659 in Essex Co., VA; died 1717 in Essex Co., VA. She married (1) Phillip McGuire. She married (2) John Evans VA.

4. Mary MEADOR was born in 1660 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1717 in Essex Co., VA.Mary married Francis GOULDMAN about 1685 in Essex Co., VA. Francis was born about 1660 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1716 in Essex Co., VA.

5. Dorothy MEADOR was born in 1656. Could this lady could mix-up with the Awbreyf family and is the lady who married John Wright not a Dorothy Awbrey

Mary Meades (Thomas, Father) was born 1640-1655 in Virginia, and died 1726. She married Richard Hobbs.

Child of Mary Meades and Richard Hobbs is: 1. Anne Hobbs.

Generation No. 4

John MEADOR (Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1659 in Charles Parish, York Co., Crown Colony of Virginia. He died on 21 Nov 1721 in Essex Co., VA. John married (1) Elizabeth WHITE, daughter of þ Richard WHITE and þ Addra NMN, in Jul 1677/1678 in Essex Co., VA. Elizabeth was born in 1659 in Essex Co., VA. She died on 17 Aug 1694 in Essex Co., VA. John is cousin to Thomas above. John Meador is found in book"CAVALIERS AND PIONEER" by Nell Nugent "John Meador 50 acs Rappa. Co on S side of Rappa Riv., 21 Apr 1690 p 40 adj his own land of Mr Henry Awbrey; on the manine Sw of Hoskins Cr. and Im of John Chambers. Also mention here: Mr John Scott 748 acs Chas. City Co Bristoll Par date 1690 Imp of 15 pers John Meadowes. He married (2) Mary? Awbrey? Aft. 1694,

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John Sr of Essex Co m Elizabeth White dau of Richard. John made a deed 1694.

GRANTEE Meador, John. grantee. DATE 21 April 1690. Location: [old] Rappahannock County. Description: 50 acres on the South side of Rappahannock River. Adjoining his own and Henry Awbrey's land. Source: Land Office Patents No. 8, 1689-1695, p. 40 (Reel 8). See also the following surname(s): Meadow. Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

JB: 1677/8 Feb 4 (by) - Rapp , VA - Deeds & Wills, 1677-1782, pp.156-157 - Recorded: 25 Feb 1777/8 -

Deed of Gift to John Meador & his now wife Elizabeth White, daughter of Richard White:

"Know all men by these presents that I Richard White of Rappae: County in Virginia, cooper, out of ye kindness and affection I have and beareth my **sonne in law John Meador who married my daughter Elizabeth White** have given and forever made over and by these presents doe give unto ye said **John Meador & Elizabeth his now wife** and their heirs fover all my platation I now live upon together with all my real and personall estate in ye County aforesd To have and enjoy ye same from and after ye day of death and decease of me ye sd Richard White and Mary my now wife to him ye sd John Meador first paying all such debts as I shall justly happen to owe at ye time of my death and decently burying me and my wife and during ye naturall lives of me and my now wife. I doe give my sd Sonne John free liberty to cleare and mae use of any part of my said Divident of land to plant tobacco or Corne upon and to what houses thereon he please and it is my desire that this Deed of Gift be recorded in ye County Court records of Rappae: aforesd as Witness my hand and seale this 4th day of February Ano: Dom: 1677/8 (1678) - /s/ Richard (M) White - Signed in the presence of Edmund Crask, PH: Pendleton

Richard White's land was adjoining John Gatewood (SR), Thomas Wheeler, and Richard Gregory.

Elizbeth had brother name Thomas.

1661 Sep - Old Rap. Deed Book 1:201: "The records of Old Rappahannock County told about a terrible raid that took place in September of 1661 at the plantation of Richard White which layed on the North side of Hoskins Creek in Old Rappahannock County, Virginia. Richard White's son, Thomas and two men were brutally murdered. A committee of twelve men gave an accounting of this gruesome raid"

They had the following children:

1. Richard MEADOR was born 1678-1679 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died 1716 in Essex Co., VA.

2. Thomas MEADOR was born Abt. 1680 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died Bef. 31 July 1758 in Essex Co., VA.

3. Elizabeth MEADOR was born 1682-1685 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA.

4. Rachel Meadows, born 1683 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died in Amelia Co., VA.

5. John Meadows , Jr., born 1684 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died 14 May 1720 in Essex Co., VA

3.Hope MEADOR was born in 1690 in Old Rappahannock, Essex Co., VA. He died before 1721 in Essex Co., VA. Note the land deed for John Meador list below state my son Hope.

4. Esther or Hester MEADOR was born in 1691 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1721. Esther married William BOURNE. William was born in 1691 in Essex Co., VA.

John also married 2nd Mrs. Aubrey MEADOR about 1694. Aubrey was born about 1665. She died before 17 Oct 1721. Mary AWBREY b: 1678 m: Aft. 1694 d: Bef. 17 October 1721 in Essex Co., VA.

Mrs Aubrey/Mary? could be the third wife of Henry Awbrey or the daughter of Richard, the son Henry and Sarah (Hoskin?) Meador Aubrey.

Children of John Meadows and Mary Awbrey? are:

1/2. Dinah MEADOR was born 1696 in Essex Co., VA; died 1742 in Tennessee.

2/2. Jonas MEADOR was born 1696-1700 in Essex Co., VA; died 22 August 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA.

3/2. Mary MEADOR was born in 1700 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1721 in Essex Co., VA.

3/2. Joshua MEADOR was born 1702 in Essex Co., VA; died 1774 in Amelia Co., VA.

4/2. Job MEADOR was born in 1704/1707 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1774 in SC.

5/2. Jason MEADOR was born 1707 in Essex Co., VA; died Aft. 30 March 1774 in Anson Co., NC. GRANTEE Meadors, Jason. grantee. DATE 12 January 1747. Location: Amelia County. Description: 244 acres on the head of Sandy Creek on both sides of the road. Source: Land Office Patents No. 28, 1746-1749 (v.1 & 2 p.1-730), p. 287 (Reel 26). Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

The Thomas in this land deed could this be Thomas JR. Found by JB

"JOHN MEADOR, 640 acres Rappahannock County: South side Rappahannock River on Beverday Southwest at the head of Hoskins' Creek, 20 April 1687, p.558. Beginning on South side of the old Beverday Southwest, near an Indian path; to a small island & etc., 450 acres granted Thomas Browning, 30 Nov 1657; assigned to John Cook, 4 May 1659; assigned to THOMAS MEDORS, 7 Aug 1659; & granted him 9 April 1664; 190 acres for transporting of 4 persons: John Chambers, JOSEPH CALLAWAY, Robert Duell, John Warrener."

"JOHN MEADOR was a politically powerful favorite of Royal Governor Berkeley and benefitted from a number of grants from the Royal government along the Rappahannock River in the 1660s. He was not a Puritan, but a Royalist. This is significant because it seems to indicate that JOSEPH CALLAWAY and the other 3 men was associated with the Royalist political faction and not the Puritans."

JB found this land deed for John Meador and children

1694 Dec 10 - Essex Co, VA - Deeds & Wills (1692-5), p.332

Know all men by these presents that I, **John Meador Senior widower**, in ye county of Essex in ye Parish of South Farnham, for ye love I bear to my children that I had **by my wife Elizabeth [White] Meador deceased**, I doe hereby give them such parsell of land that I shall set downe severall by themselves. All ye land that I have on ye West side of a branch that goeth by ye name of a great branch I do give to my son **Richard Meador and my son John Meador** it shall be divided as I shall see fit between them as near as I can divide it to they and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever.

A parcell of land beginning at a Cole Spring by my orchard fence and running West and by north till it meets with ye great branch, so along ye great branch till it comes to ye maine swamp of ye creeke, then downe ye swamp till it comes to ye Cole Spring branch, then up ye branch where it begun, being a long neck of land, I do give to **my son Thomas Meado**r and his heirs lawfully begotten of his owne body for ever.

A parcell of land beginning at my uppermost line by John Evans land by ye head of a branch at a marked White oake and running downe ye branch till it meets with ye maine swamp ye branch being crooked all ye lands that I have within my bounds of ye east side of that branch being a great deal of old fields belonging to it I doe give to **my son Hope Meador** and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body

forever.

I doe give to **my daughter Rachell Meador** one hundred and five acres of land that I bought of Mr. Edwin Thacker to she and her heirs for ever. A parcell of land lying into the neck the north side of the Creek which **my father in law Richard White** gave to me by deed of Gift I doe by the virtue of that Deed of Gift I doe give to **my daughter Elizabeth Meader** ye second neck & my **daughter Esther Meader** the neck that has ye Housing and orchards to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies forever.

The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of but to ramaine from heir to heir as long as there can be one of ye Meaders found alive, if it ye Lords will to call any of my sons or daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to returne to me again to my disposing.

I doe reserve & except myself Timber upon any parts of ye land for my own use as long as I live as Witness my hand and seale this tenth day of **December, 1694.. /s/ John Meader (Seale)..**

Wit: Mary (X) Gorbell, Joseph (F) Calloway

The Meadors family has book "The Meador family"

John Meadors will can found in the book. I copy from the book

Essex County, Va. Wills, Inv Adm fo Estates No3

"In the name of God, Amen, I John Meador of Essex County being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and perfect memory, blessed by God, therefore do make and form following:

"First and principall, I commend my soul unto the hands that giveth, hoping by the meritorious death and passion of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ to receive full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and offences and a joyful resurrection in the last da: and my body decently to be buried at the direction of my excutors hereafter name. And as for my worldly good:

Item I give to **my son Thomas Meador,** one shilling

Item I give to my **daughter Rachell Jordan**, one shilling

Item I give to my **daughter Elizabeth Armstong**, one shilling

Item I give to my **daugher Dinah Tribble** one shilling

Item My desire is that **my five sons** shal keep their own guns without appraising

Item I give to my son **Jonas Meador**, a small piece of land joining upon Thomas Evinses land and running up to the church that goes from my house , then up a long? road a small course till it comes to the forks of the branch fo where it begins and from the forks to ye first beginning. And the rest of my land I give to my other four sons, bo be equally divided with all my houses and orchards thereon belonging and I do appoint my two sons **Job and Jason my lawful executors**

Item I give to my son **Joshua Meador** on chest to be apprasied and the rest of my estate to be equally divided among my children and leave my two youngest sons to be age at 17. I do leave my sor **Jonas Meador** to look after them 3 years. And my will not to be in force till my death Witness my hand and seal Oct 17,1721

John Meador seal Porbated 21 Nov 1721

Tests:

Samuel Waggoner

Francis F Poarris

Ann A Bradbury

Present for Probate Nov 21,1721 by Jonas Meador during the minority of the executor in the said will mentioned, with oaths by Samuel Waggoner, Francis Pierce and Ann Bradbury per VPM

Thomas Meadors (Thomas "Orphan" Meadows, Thomas Meades, Father) was born 1658-1662, and died 1718 in Virginia.

Child of Thomas Meadors is: 1. Ann Meadors. She married Mister Ayres

Date: 1600's-1700's

Place: Rappahanock VA

Joel Halbert, Sr

Birth: 1712
Essex County
Virginia, USA
Death: 1762
Caroline County
Virginia, USA

Joel Halbert was living in Caroline County, Virginia, on October 28, 1754, when he signed a joint bond with his brother William; he died about 1762, when the widow "Frances Halbert" was appointed administratrix of his estate in Caroline County. In 1764, according to a Caroline County record, she "qualified as guardian for the children". (The names of all the children are given in this record, though some were apparently of legal age by the year 1764.)

In colonial times in Virginia, a child was declared an "orphan" when the father died, but not when the mother died. A legal guardian was appointed by the Court for any child of age 14 or less; over 14, and until of legal age (21 for boys, 18 for girls) the child choose his own guardian.

Family links:
Parents:
William Halbert (1681 - ____)

Spouse:
Elizabeth Frances *Jones* Halbert (1715 - 1780)*

Children:
Hannah Elizabeth *Halbert* Hill (1742 - ____)*
William Anson Halbert (1744 - 1808)*
Martha *Halbert* Hill (1747 - 1833)*
Francis Jones *Halbert* Blackburn (1751 - 1843)*

Sibling:
Joel Halbert (1712 - 1762)
William Halbert (1714 - ____)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:
Non-Cemetery Burial

Created by: Cousins by the Dozens
Record added: Feb 11, 2011
Find A Grave Memorial# 65523083

From your fifth great grandaughteryou are not forgotten
- in Texas
Added: Apr. 12, 2017

Joel Halbert Jr. was in NC State census 1784-1787.He died in 1810 in Lincoln, Co. TN:Joel & Mary Williams son, Joel III, married Zilpha Wright about 1800 in Anderson County, TN: Joel & Zilpha are in the 1830 & 1840 Fentress Co. TN: Fed Census. Joel & Zil...
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-Anonymous
Added: Mar. 15, 2016

Joel Halbert, Sr., my 6th great-grandfather.
- Ron Turner
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The Meador Story in Colonial Virginia (And Untangling Some Webs)

The research on the Meador family came after correcting my lineage on the Lewis Hale family (which was previously published on this blog), and discovering that his mother was a Meador. These Meadors link to the Meador family which populated south-central and southwest Virginia throughout the 19th Century, and points westward. Early on, though, the Meador history gets fairly interesting, at least in tracing their ancestry to the date of immigration. It has been difficult to trace beyond the progenitor of the Meadors in Virginia, back to England, but what is known is a fairly detailed and comprehensive story of land ownership and migration across the Virginia tidewaters. Nonetheless, as typical early and colonial records from the 17th Century can be, there are also complications in creating a definitive family tree on the family. At least three successive generations had sons of the same names, and therefore linking them comes with detailed research and analysis on the available deeds, migration patterns, and court orders. Thankfully, Old Rappahannock (now Essex) County records have enough genealogical data within them to get the facts right.

Ambrose is undoubtedly one of the first, if not the first, Meadors in the colonies in the 17th Century, at least in Virginia. As of 1636 tax lists, the list of Meadors in Virginia included Ambrose Meador, Ambrose Mader, Thomas Meades, and John Mead(es). At this point, it appears that the two Ambroses were the same, based on multiple land tracts and ownership. Meador probably came to Virginia by a system of headrights, where every immigrant to Virginia (during that time) was granted 50 acres as a "headright" to start off their lives in the New World. Sometimes, these headrights were assigned to benefactors who paid for their passage from England. On 1 June 1636, Ambrose first appears as having surrendered 150 acres of headright land due for Meador's immigration, his wife, and a servant, to Peter Johnson in Warrisquicke (the former Warrosquyoake) County; this shire would become Isle of Wight County in 1637. Although this would probably assume Meador came to Virginia in that year, with the likely delay in having the records recorded in the clerks' offices, Meador was probably in Virginia earlier.

Soon after the previous headright was recorded, on 18 July 1636, Thomas Davis deeded 50 acres to Ambrose Meader in Isle of Wight County (per VA Magazine, Vol 5, p 403):

"Thomas Davis of Warwicksquacyk to Ambrose Meador and John White of the Pagan Shore, 50 acres of land lying in Warwicksqueake, beginning at upper Red Point and extending easterly down the said Creek, was given said Davis by patent 6 day of March 1633, the land abutting northerly upon said creek and southerly into the main woods, 18 July 1636."

Meador is next mentioned in a 2 March 1639 patent in Isle of Wight County, when Richard Bennett purchased land adjoining Meador: "...butting upon the baye nehind Ambrose Meders point & 150 acres at the miles end & upon the W side of Thomas Davis his land. Transp 6 pers by John Myles: John Myles, Tho Whitlock, Silvester Fitcherud, Robert Willey, William Harrison, Andrew Blackwell." (Cavaliers & Pioneers, Vol 1, Nugent, p 105). Meador later purchased 300 acres of land from Ambrose Bennett on the south side of the "Pajan" River. All of this land is in the vicinity of present-day Smithfield, Virginia.

During the 1640s, despite the lack of thorough records for Isle of Wight County, it can be assumed that Meador had a connection with the Puritan Church through his neighbors the Bennetts. Richard Bennett owned a total of 900 acres around Meador, while Ambrose Bennett owned some 1100 acres. For whatever the reason, though, Meador did not live the rest of his days in Isle of Wight County. On 9 April 1649, Meador sold land to Ralph Warrener in that county, though it is not known if the acreage was the total sum of his land holdings there. This is the last record of him in that county.

Apparently following the original Puritan colony that had settled in the former Warrosquyoake shire, he appeared in Lancaster County thereafter, and settled along the Rappahannock River. The first mention of Meador there is a list of tithers taken 24 October 1653. On 3 September 1656, Meador purchased the "lower" 1,000 acres of an 1,800 acre grant on the former Willing Creek, later renamed Totuskey Creek; today, this land is in central Richmond County. His neighbors included a Bryer, William Underwood, Abraham Moore, Thomas Robinson, and William Denby, most of whom were also from Isle of Wight County. The land included the point known as "Accokeek Point," along the Rappahannock River, at the mouth of the Totuskey south of present day Warsaw.

Meador sold 300 acres of his 1,000 acre holdings to Thomas Robinson in 1656, and another 300 acres he gave to his son, Thomas Meador. The deed to his son was abstracted as follows:

"Know All Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meader of the county of Rappa in Virginia consideraun to me paid by Thomas Meador my son of the county aforesaid (missing) heirs Exes Amrs and assignes five grant bargain sell and assigns ever unto the said Thomas Meader a parcell of land conteyning three hundred acres being part of one thousand acres of land sold and conveyed unto me Ambrose Meader by James Williamson as by a deed of sale under the hand and seal of the said Willimson plainly appeareth situatle lying and being on the north side of Rappa River the said three hundred acres of land edjoying unto the upon the land Thomas Robinson which land ther said Robyson purchased of me Ambrose Meador likewise being part of the one thousand acres or land unto him the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admirs and assignes for Ever with all rights and priviledges thereunto belong and appertaining I the said Ambrose Meader do for me my heirs Exrs and Admirs hereby promise to warrant and defend the said three hundred acres of land from all persons claiming by Witnes whre of I the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admrs or assignes. In witness whereof I the said Ambrose have hereunto put my hand and seal this 30th day of August anno dam 1658.

Ambrose (his mark) Meador

in presence of Clement Herbert and

John (his mark) Meador."

"Know all Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meadr of the County of Rappa, Planter, do constituet & appoint my well beloved Sonn Thomas Meador my true & lawfull Attorney for me & in my place & stead to acknowledge in Court three hundred acres of land at this Court as by my deed of [missing] appear & I do also by these presents give & grant unto my said Attorney full power to make other Attorny or Attorneys as my said Attorny shall find cause & in Witness to all & every the premises I Ambrose Meader have here unto sett my hand this 2d of September 1658.

Testee Clement Herbert John Meader."

His son Thomas acknowledged the deed given to him by his father:

"Know All men by these presents that I Thomas Meader of the countie of Rappa in Virginia for a Vallubale consideersaon to me in paid by Richard Tomlynson of the same County Planter have given granted bargained and sold and coafirmed and do by these presents for me my heirs and assignes give grant bargined and sell unto the said Richard Tomlynson. One hundred and fifty acres lately given granted and [missing] said Thomas Meader by Ambrose Meader, my father, to have and to hold the said one hundred and fifty acres of land with all the houses, orchards &c, thereunton belonging and appertaning [missing] priviledges thereunto belonging [missing] according to the tennour and [missing] by the rents and services [missing] unto ther said Richard Tomlynson his heirs and assignes forever against all persons claiming by from or under me the said Thomas Meader [missing] Ambrose Meader my father or his heirs and have hereunto put my hand and seal date this [missing] ammo 1657.

Thomas Meader

in the presence of George Bryer, Christopher Brummrigge

and Robert Sison."

The deed to Robinson was the last time Ambrose's wife was referenced, though she was not named. She was probably deceased sometime shortly after. Ambrose's homestead apparently stood by what is now the community of Wellford, and was then known as Accokeek Plantation. After his death, this plantation was inherited by his son John Meador, who later traded the land to Robert Tomlin on 3 May 1665 for 500 acres of land on Peumansend Creek in Caroline County. We know that Ambrose was assuredly deceased by 1663. Ambrose was last mentioned on 24 December 1661 when he shared a purchase of land with his son, Thomas. However, there does not appear to have been a surviving will, probate record, administration, or estate settlement that would have defined when Ambrose died, or the extent of his estate at death. Because of this, the only two children known to be Ambrose's are his sons Thomas and John.

Of these sons, let's start off with Thomas, who may be the eldest of the known children of Ambrose.

Many genealogists have been working on the puzzle on the Thomas Meadors of Lancaster County, Virginia, and which records belong to whom. We know that the immigrant Meador, Ambrose, had at least a son named Thomas. However, the deaths of the Thomas Meadors create a puzzle that leaves many eyes confused.

To start, the first Thomas Meador, referred to as "Thomas of Ambrose" from here forth, should not be confused with the Thomas who died in 1655 in Lancaster County. It should be shown that the Thomas who died in 1655 was the son of Thomas of Ambrose. This is because deeds in Lancaster County continue to show Thomas of Ambrose making deeds with his father:

""Know All Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meader of the county of Rappa in Virginia consideraun to me paid by Thomas Meador my son of the county aforesaid (missing) heirs Exes Amrs and assignes five grant bargain sell and assigns ever unto the said Thomas Meader a parcell of land conteyning three hundred acres being part of one thousand acres of land sold and conveyed unto me Ambrose Meader by James Williamson as by a deed of sale under the hand and seal of the said Willimson plainly appeareth situatle lying and being on the north side of Rappa River the said three hundred acres of land edjoying unto the upon the land Thomas Robinson which land ther said Robyson purchased of me Ambrose Meador likewise being part of the one thousand acres or land unto him the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admirs and assignes for Ever with all rights and priviledges thereunto belong and appertaining I the said Ambrose Meader do for me my heirs Exrs and Admirs hereby promise to warrant and defend the said three hundred acres of land from all persons claiming by Witnes where of I the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admrs or assignes. In witness whereof I the said Ambrose have hereunto put my hand and seal this 30th day of August anno dam 1658.

Ambrose (his mark) Meador

in presence of Clement Herbert and

John (his mark) Meador."

"Know all Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meadr of the County of Rappa, Planter, do constituet & appoint my well beloved Sonn Thomas Meador my true & lawfull Attorney for me & in my place & stead to acknowledge in Court three hundred acres of land at this Court as by my deed of [missing] appear & I do also by these presents give & grant unto my said Attorney full power to make other Attorny or Attorneys as my said Attorny shall find cause & in Witness to all & every the premises I Ambrose Meader have here unto sett my hand this 2d of September 1658.

Testee Clement Herbert John Meader."

His son Thomas acknowledged the deed given to him by his father:

"Know All men by these presents that I Thomas Meader of the countie of Rappa in Virginia for a Vallubale consideersaon to me in paid by Richard Tomlynson of the same County Planter have given granted bargained and sold and coafirmed and do by these presents for me my heirs and assignes give grant bargined and sell unto the said Richard Tomlynson. One hundred and fifty acres lately given granted and [missing] said Thomas Meader by Ambrose Meader, my father, to have and to hold the said one hundred and fifty acres of land with all the houses, orchards &c, thereunton belonging and appertaning [missing] priviledges thereunto belonging [missing] according to the tennour and [missing] by the rents and services [missing] unto ther said Richard Tomlynson his heirs and assignes forever against all persons claiming by from or under me the said Thomas Meader [missing] Ambrose Meader my father or his heirs and have hereunto put my hand and seal date this [missing] ammo 1657.

Thomas Meader

in the presence of George Bryer, Christopher Brummrigge

and Robert Sison."

One of the last grants known to be made to the first Thomas Meader was a land grant from the Virginia governor in 1663:

"To all etc. Whereas now know ye that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Viginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador, three hundred and twenty acres of land, situated on the south side of Hoskins Creek towards the head thereof in the County of Rappahannock, and extended itself from a marked red oak standing in a small neck by the main run side of creek aforesaid and nigh unto the plantation of John Gillet, thence by the said run side thirty two poles unto a marked oak on the westernmost point of the said neck thence along the northernmost side at Beaver Dam until you meet with a line of marked trees that leadeth unto a poplar by the edge of the said Dam forty-eight poles, thence with the said line South by West. Two hundred and seventy-two poles to marked pine on fallowing Ground. Thence East by South one hundred and twenty-five poles to meet with the Westermost line of marked trees belonging to John Gregory, which divides this and the land of the said Gregory, thence Northeast down to Hoskins Creek aforesaid and so finally parallel with the said Creek, one hundred eighty-one poles unto the marked Red Oak first above mentioned. The said land being due unto the said Meador for Transportation of Seven person etc. To have and To Hold & Held Yeilding Pay & provided & dated the second June, one thousand, six hundred and sixty-three."

Previously, genealogists had linked this deed to Thomas "Orphan" Meador, grandson of the first Thomas. However, a later deed made by Henry Awbrey, second husband of Sarah, widow of "Orphan Thomas" shows that a division was made to the 320 acres of land that was originally from the purchase of Ambrose Meador originally James Williamson's, of which was later sold to Ambrose's son, the first Thomas.

The [known] other son of Ambrose "Immigrant" Meador was John Meador. As confusing as it is to sort the Thomas Meaders in the Virginia low country, the John Meader's can be equally confusing. We do know, however, that the eldest John Meador, son of Ambrose, was a large landowner and fairly well-to-do, as were most of his descendants and relatives. He inherited the 400-acre Accokeek Plantation in modern Richmond County (then Lancaster County) from his father, located at and around the mouth of Totuskey Creek into the Rappahannock River. He inherited this plantation in about 1661, but he traded the plantation on 3 May 1665 to Robert Tomlin for 500 acres of land near Peumansend Creek

in Sittenbourne Parish, in what is now Caroline County (per Old Rappahannock Co. Deed Book 1656-64 (Pt 2), pp 345-46):

"This Indenture made the third day of May 1665 & in the Seaventeenth year of the reigne of our Sovereign Charles the Second &c Between John Meaders of the County of Rappa in Virga Planter & Robert Tomlin of the same County also Planter Witnesseth that the sd John Meaders as well for three Servts & four thousand four hundred pounds of Merchantable Tobo paid by sd Robt Tomlin whereof the sd John Meader is very shortly to assure & convey unto John Meaders & his heirs give hundred acres of land in Virga aforesd doth for him & his heirs grant unto the sd Robert Tomlin Four hundred acres of land begining & measuring from a marked Pocickery which standeth on a point at the mouth of a Creek called Willing Creek & runeth for breadth by or neer the River of Rappa & for leanth into the woods according to the bounds mencioned in the Pattent granted unto one James Williamson of Rappa Gent by which the sd four hundred acres of land is (amongst much more) held & enjoyed & all & singular the houses buildings gardens orchards Libertyes of Fishing Hunting Fowling & all advantages whatsoever to the sd Land belonging & the reversion of the same premises & all the Estate rihgt of the sd John Meaders his heirs or assignes of or out of the sd granted premises To have & to hold withall advantages to the only use of the sd Robert Tomlin his heirs & assignes for ever & the sd John Meaders for him self will for ever defend in the manner following (Vizt) that the sd John Meaders & Joane his Wife will before the end of Six months next comeing after the date hereof before Worpsh his Matys Justices of the peace for the County of Rappa personally appear & then & there acknowledge their right to the premises to be vested in sd Robert Tomlin his heirs & assignes that the sd acknowledgement shall be taken according to the Statutes of England & further that the sd John Meaders & his heirs will at all time hereafter during the space of five years next ensuing date hereof at reasonable request & of the sd Robert Tomlin in all such releases assurances & other conveyances in the Law unto the sd Robert Tomlin his heirs to be taken for the only proper use & behoof the sd Robert Tomlin his heirs & assignes

In Witness the sd John Meader hath set his hands & seale

in presence of us Tho Pattison John Meaders

Tho Button

Be it Known to all men that I Joane Meader doth make Thomas Freshwater my just & lawfull Attorney in any cause whatsoever whereunto I have set my hand this last day of February 1664.

Witness Joseph Oakar Joane (X) Meader

Henry (tt) Peeters

Recogntt in Cur Rappa 3 die Maii 1665."

Meador's deed of Accokeek Plantation was recorded as follows, on the same date:

"Know All Men that I Robert Tomlin do hereby make over and fir ever alienate the full contents of this Pattent withall priviledges therein are expressed from me & my heirs for ever unto John Meaders his heirs & admrs for ever in consideracion of another plantation commonly called Ackokeek Four hundred acres or thereabouts already delivered into my possession to be enjoyed by me & my heirs for ever & for Five hundred acres of the sd Pattent I do here for me my heirs and admrs bind us & either of us to make good against all [missing] from any person whatsoever unto the abovesd John Meaders & his heirs for ever & I do promise that Rebecca Tomlin my Wife shall acknowledge her consent unto the same when demanded

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale this third day of May 1665

in presence of us Thomas Pattison Robert (T) Tomlin

Thomas Button

Know all Men that I Rebecca Tomlin do hereby appoint Robert Goodyear my trye & lawfull Attorney to acknowledge for me & in my steed my consent to the absolute sale of a tract of land in the Freshes of Rappa commonly known by the name of Mattum Larkins from me & my heirs unto John Meaders & his heirs for ever according to a conveyance made on the back of the Originall Pattent to that purpose and whatsoever my sd Attorney shall lawfully do in the premises I hereby rattify to be as authentique in Law as I myself in person had done the same as Witness my hand & seale this third day of May One thousand Six hundred Sixty five

in Presence of us Allex Fleming, Rebecca Tomlin

John Weir

Recognt in Cur Com Rappa 3 die Maii 1665."

We know that the elder John Meador did own the land in Caroline County he traded with Robert Tomlin, but appears to have continued owning land in Rappahannock (Essex) County until his death. We appear to know that his wife, Jane or "Joan," was probably surnamed Combs before her marriage. The deed and settlement in Rappahannock County Deed Books that presents us with both an insight in her maiden name and also John's death was presented and recorded in the county court on 16 October 1683 by Jane's brother (per Old Rappahannock County Deed Book 1682-86, p 155):

"Whereas Abraham Coombe of the Province of Maryland Gent did formerly put in to the hands & posssesion of my late Brother in Law, John Meador deced, one heifer for the use and Acct of my Godson, John Meador, Son of John Meador the Elder deceased, wch the said John Meador, the Son deceased, in his minority Now Know all men by these prsents that I Abraham Coombe do by these prsents give Mary Meador, Daughter of the said John Meador the Elder deced and sole Sister of the said John Meador, the Son, two cowers and two calves being the produce of the first given heifer To have and to hold the said Cowes and Calves with all future Increase unto the said Mary Meader for ever, And in case of the death of the sd Mary without issue of her body lawfully begotten then I the said Abraham Coombe do hereby give and grant the said Cowes and Calves with all their future Increase unto Richd Meador, Son of John Meador of Rappa County now liveing and to his Exrs and assignes forever. Witness my hand and seale this sixteenth day of October 1683

Signed sealed and delivered in the prsence of us

Henry Aubrey Abra Coombe

John Almond

16th 8ber 1683 of Record in Rappa County Decembr. 10th 1684."

We now exit the second generation of Meador's in Tidewater Virginia and move onto the third generation. My lineage descends through the elder Thomas Meador, therefore that of his brother, John Meador, will only be mentioned. Of what I have traced, John's wife was Jane or "Joan" Combs, and they had four children: John "Junior", Mary, Thomas, and Richard. John "Junior" married Susannah Wyatt by 1672 and had at least one son, Thomas Meador.

Going back to Thomas "of Ambrose" Meador, very little is known on his wife or children, beyond the fact he had a son of the same name, Thomas. Quite confusing in the history of the Meador family is sorting the records of the Thomas Meador's of this lineage. Although it is known that the records show a Thomas left his land to his son Thomas, the death records show a muddled map of estate settlements, deeds, and court orders that signify three Thomas Meador's that

possibly all married women named Sarah; only the eldest Thomas Meador's wife's name is not fully proven at this time, therefore his wife being a Sarah is just a theory.

Known to be the son of Thomas Meador and grandson of Ambrose Meador, the second Thomas is yet just another part of the confusing puzzle of Thomas's in Lancaster County records. It is believed that he died before his father of that name, and left an orphaned son (and other children) that inherited land he had not yet completed transactions for.

The second Thomas Meador may be the one that purchased 700 acres from James Williamson in Lancaster County in September 1653 from William Underwood. This is probably because the 300 acres of land that was owned by a Thomas Meador on the Rappahannock River was that of the Thomas of Ambrose. The following year, a court order shows that Meador's servant, Bour Harison, was "to serve exta time for running away," on 7 August 1654. He was living on 5 February 1655 when he paid levies "on tytheables to Mr Ja Williams" (Lancaster Co Court Order Book, p 174).

We are certain that he is the Thomas Meador who next appears in Lancaster County records through the probate date for his will in the same year, as brought forth by George Bryer on 6 June 1655. The will of this Thomas Meador was written in March 1654, and was probated on or by 12 June 1655, as follows:

"The last will and testament of Thos Meads made the 5th day of March (1654) Impnt. I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my Soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Excr.

I do give to my wife & Daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the ad. plantation not to be my Daughters till after my wife she is decease.

I do give to my two sons, Tho & John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two daughters Margaret & Joyce out of s. land two thousand pounds of tob. Cask at their marriage and in case either of the (missing) die that the sd Tob. to belong to the survivor.

I do give unto my wife & sons & my Daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them.

I do give to my Daughter Anna all the cattle that belonged to her which is about five head of cattle, and likewise I do unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day & year above written.

Thomas Mead

12 da Juny 1655

Witness

Rawleigh Travers Edward (his mark) Bradshaw

Phat 6 da Junt 1655."

Colonial Abstracts from Lancaster County Court orders (Lancaster Co Court Order Book 1652-55, p 178) show that Thomas Meador was deceased by 6 June 1655, when "Geo Byer Probate to hm of Thomas Meads, deceased, the estate to be appraised by Ambr' Meader, Fran Gower, Toby Hurst qne Tho Robinson, Mr Wm Underwood to adm the Oath 6 June 1667." Ambrose Meador was appointed to appraise the estate of "Tho Meador dec 6 June 1655" (Lancaster Co Court Order Book, p 197). Toby Hurst, who was previously mentioned, was "to appraise est of Tho Meads decd 7 June 1655" and "to pay levy on 2 tytheables to Mr Wm Underwood" on 7 December 1655 (Order Book, p 234).

The Court Orders also show that the orphans of Thomas Meador were addressed by petition on 6 August 1655 (p 207), and granted on 7 December 1655 (p 231). Meador's estate was "now in the hands of Geo Bries" by the latter date of

December 7th, and was "to be delivered to Mr Underwood" (p 233). It was Thomas's son of the same name that petitioned for guardianship, for he "petitions the court that he may Choose a guardian, being of sufficient age. Order that according to his desire, he remain in the guardinship of Mr Wm Underwood." The delivery of the estate from Bryer to Underwood was made to protect the younger Thomas' estate inheritance until he became of age. Meador's estate was later appraised by both Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, with the returned recorded on 10 December 1655. The appraisal valued the estate at 17,502 pounds of tobacco (about 109 pounds Sterling), which was a respectable size for an estate at the time.

Thomas's son, Thomas, was quite possibly the oldest child of the family, but at the time of his father's death in 1655, he was still underage, if he petitioned the court for guardianship. The Lancaster County Court in January 1656, however, found that Meador's estate had still not been divided and possessed by George Bryer, and ordered Ambrose Meador, Francis Gower, and two other men, to divide the estate per Thomas's will. The land in question was likely the 700 acres of land that he had purchased from William Underwood in 1653. Although it is not implied by name, the creek that Meador's land rested on is the modern-day Juggs Creek. The land that was inherited by his sons Thomas (the younger) and John laid on the west side of the creek, while that of his daughter Mary (which was in her mother's hands until her death) was on the east side, both sides an approximate even split of 350 acres. All of this land was just to the northwest, and a short distance, from the Accokeek Plantation of Ambrose Meador, their grandfather.

In 1658, however, the division of the estate appears to have been altered. The tract was not divided among the heirs by December 1658, became the younger Thomas Meador contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Haire "that was given to me by my father Thomas Meades, deceased, and to my brother [name not mentioned] in case that part of the land...shall fall to my lot at the dividing of the said land." Deed records do not show that Thomas' share was ever divided to him, and it appears that his sister, Mary, received the full 700-acre share of the Meador estate. The younger Thomas appears to have exchanged his rights of the Meador estate for a grant on Hoskins Creek (all in modern day Richmond County), which appears to have also belonged to his father. The elder Thomas, however, does not make reference to this land in his will or any court record, however (or one that survives to this day, at the least). They may have not been finalized by the time of his 1655 death. See his son's biography regarding the estate on Hoskins Creek.

For what we know, the second Thomas Meador (son of the first Thomas) and his wife Sarah had six children: Thomas "Orphan" Meador, John, Mary, Margaret, Joyce, and Anne. Besides "Orphan Thomas," who will be discussed shortly, the only other child with known information is daughter Mary Meador, who married Richard Hobbs (who died in Lancaster County, 1683).

Then comes "Orphan Thomas," whom he is referred as in legal records, both because he was an orphan and because of the multiple Thomas Meador's in that part of the colony. We know that Thomas "the orphan" Meador was the youngest of the three Thomas Meador's of Lancaster County, for he appeared before the Lancaster County Court in 1655 for declaring a guardianship. Although the English Law declared a man underage until he was 21, a boy aged 14 to 17 years old could still legally declare him able to make a deed, or declare a guardian. Thusly, though this confuses the time frame of this Thomas' birth date, he likely declared a guardian in order to protect his interests and rights to the inheritances his father left him in his will. Especially since the Meador estate was not divided for a year, and with the Lancaster County Court pushing for the division of the second Thomas Meador's estate, he may have had incentive.

Though he was left a share of the Meador estate along modern Juggs Creek in modern Richmond County, deeds show that the orphan Thomas never received his division, and it was likely because he exchanged his rights to the land in order to receive a grant of land on Hoskins Creek, nearby to the west up the Rappahannock River, that was also purportedly his father's. The Hoskins Creek land grant is never referred to in his father's will, but a deed shows that the

second Thomas Meador was certainly the Thomas who held the land there. It is most probable that the second Thomas had begun the purchase of the land at the time of his death, and the transaction was never completed. For this reason, the orphan Thomas was likely the man who finished it.

The youngest Thomas Meador, often referred to in genealogy as the "Orphan," was referred to as such by Sir William Berkeley in a land grant to his family in 1663:

"To all etc. now know ye, that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador Orphan, four hundred and fifty acres of land in Lancaster County (Rappahannock??) on the South side of the head of Hoskins Creek, beginning at a poplar standing by the side of a Beaver Dam near the Indian path and running South by West two hundred and fifty poles. Thence parallel to the dam West by North four hundred and fifty poles to the dam to the first mentioned tree. The said land being first granted to Thomas Browning by patent dated the thirteenth of November, one thousand, six-hundred and fifty-seven and by him assigned to John Cooke and by Cooke assigned to Thomas Meador.

Deceased by his will given to the said Thomas Meader etc. To Have and To Hold etc. To be Held etc. Yielding etc Paying etc. Provided etc Date the ninth of April one thousand, six hundred, sixty-four."

It appears that it was this land grant, by "Orphan" Thomas, that was made for the transport of 7 persons into the Virginia colony. The land is also in what is now Essex County, which was the old Rappahannock County at the time. The contents of the deed shows that the stretch of Hoskins Creek flowed southeasterly in the deed for roughly 181 poles (roughly 2986 feet), though most of the creek flows easterly. Because of this, this plot of land was located in what is now the Rexburg community, west of the town of Tappahannock and near the present Cheatwood Millpond. Interestingly, however, the deed made to Orphan Thomas that was recorded in 1664 was made AFTER the Orphan Thomas died.

We do not know exactly when "Orphan Thomas" died, but he died at a fairly young age, and was certainly deceased by the time of the recording of the deed above. He is known to have had one son and two daughters, per a division of the land made by Thomas' widow, Sarah. The confusion of the three Thomas Meador's also leads more to the confusion of exactly when he died.

On 12 July 1662, his widow, Sarah, petitioned for the sole guardianship of their orphaned children before the Rappahannock County court (per the Rappahannock Co. Order Book, pp 187-188):

"These Presents Witnesseth that I Sarah Meader Widdow Wife of Thomas Meader the Younger lately deced in the County of Rappahanock I Sarah Meader do bind & oblige myself my Exrs or Admrs to confirme unto my Son John Meader Sone unto Thomas Meader lately deced one yoak of Oxen & one gun Seaven foot by the barrell to be delivered unto my Son John Meader when he comes of age & furthermore I give as my full act & deed unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna Meader one red Cow called Cherry & her Cow Calf & increase to my aforesaid Daughter only excepting the male of the catle to fall unto me the abovesaid Sarah Meader untill my Daughter be full Eleven years of age & after the expiracon of the aforesaid years male & female to fall unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna Meader.

Item I give unto my youngest Daughter Mary Meader Daughter of the abovesaid Thoams Meader one Black heaffer named Slippey she & her increase to my youngest only the male Excepted to fall unto I the said Sarah Meader untill my youngest Daughter be fully nine of years of age & after the Expiracon of the aforesaid nine years male & female to fall unto Mary Meader & if it shall please God that my Eldest Daughter shall dye in her minority that all her Catle & their increase shall fall unto her Sister Mary Meader and likewise in case it should please God that my youngest Daughter Mary Meader should dye in her minority that her Catle unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna Meader & furthermore in case

that my youngest Daughter Mary Meader her heiffer should miscarry before she comes to perfeccon that there shall another heiffer or Cow of the same age & her increase to be made good as aforesaid to my Daughter Mary Meader these premises to be recorded in Court the first or second Courte ensuing the date hereof by any person that I the said Sarah Meader shall appoint always provided that there be severall marks nominate & recorded for the abovesaid Childrens Catle them & their increase.

In confirmacon I Sarah Meader bind my self my heirs for the performance this above menconed & no other act nor deed as Witness my hand this Thirteenth day of Aprill 1662

in presence of Abraham Coombe

Willm Clawson Sarah (T) Meader

These Presents Testifieth that I Sarah Meador late Wife of Thomas Meador decd in County of Rappa oblige my self to give & allowe unto my Children a sufficient & compleat maintenance in every respect as all other ought to do and further more to give them four years a peice Education in learning according as the Country doth aford.

In Confirmacon whereof I Sarah Meadr do bind & oblige myself my heirs or assignes for the performance of this above menconed as witness my hand & seal this 13th day of Aprill 1662 to write read & to cast accompt

in presence of Abraham Combe

Willm Clawson Sarah (T) Meader

Recordatr 12 July Ao Dom 1662. Teste me WA Granger Cl Cur Com Rappa."

Another record in the Order Book appears on p. 193, which appears to identify the property that was heired to daughter Susanna Meador, probably for the impending marriage of her mother, Sarah, to Henry Awbrey:

"Swallow Forked on both ears overkeeled on the right ear pr pr marke of the catle belonging to Susanna Meador daughter of Thomas Meador decd cropt on the right ear and a slitt in the crop and underkeeled in same ear and a hole in the left ear is the ppr mark of the catle belonging to Mary Meador daughter of Thomas Meador decd. A flower de Luce on the right ear and cropt on the left ear is the proper mark of catle belonging to John Meador Son of Thomas Meador decd..."

And such is the case, as second marriages by colonial Law often required a marriage contract which cited the inheritances of any heirs of a previous marriage, and ensured their entitlement to what they were to receive. Whatever the date, we know widow, Sarah, married after the death of Orphan Thomas, to Henry Awbrey. Awbrey was a very influential resident of the Old Rappahannock County, serving as the Burgess of the County Court, and also was a trustee in the formation of a portion of "New Plymouth" in 1682, of which would later become the county seat of Tappahannock. He also appears to have served as Sheriff before his death in about 1694.

Deeds made thereafter prove the marriage, as it appears that the lands of Thomas Meador were inherited by Henry Awbrey, of which Awbrey later sold. It is this tract of land and how it ended up in Awbrey's ownership that continues to puzzle genealogists today, as it is this tract that is disputed to have been originally owned by the first Thomas Meador, not the Orphan Thomas. This tract of 300 acres of land lay on the north side of the Rappahannock County, in the original Lancaster County (now Richmond County) where Ambrose Meador settled after moving from Warrosquyoake County (now Isle of Wight County), and it is this location that leads us to believe it was from the original grant bought by Ambrose Meador (which originally was 1000 acres). To recap, 300 acres of this was later given to Ambrose's son, the

first Thomas Meador. This Thomas was divided in half in 1657, with half being sold to Richard Tomlinson that year; the following year (1658), the other 150 acres was sold to Lambert Lambertson. Though Lambertson divided his plot in half (75 acres), the fact that Awbrey's deed seems to reassemble the 300 acres sold to the first Thomas Meador is what the language of the deed seems to point out, though how this would have happened has remained both a mystery and a controversy. The following records also appear in the Old Rappahannock County Order Books (pp 353-54):

"I, Henry Awberry of Hoskins Creek in County of Rapp. which is in Virginia have made and in my stead my well beloved wife Sarah Awbry my lawful attorney irrevocably for me and in my name and for my use to ask and to receave all debts sums of money or tobo: as shall be due unto me Henry Awbrey by any person whatsoever.

Henry Awbrey.

Witnessed by John Gregory

John Awbrey and Ralph Fletcher."

"The Mke [mark] of John Meaders Son of Thomas Meaders upon Hodgkins Creek one black heifer – one cow black coloured – one sow pigg this mark is the flower de luce on the left ear and on the right ear a half moon and a slitt this to be recorded for John Meaders with both male and female increase..." (Recorded 22 February 1665, Old Rappahannock Co Court Book (1665-67), p 110).

Once Sarah's son, John, reached adulthood, he was formally given the land that was his father's. The deed was recorded on 12 May 1670 (per Old Rappahannock County Deed Book, 1670-72, p 9):

"Know Ye that I, Henry Awbrey and Sarah my wife for valuable consideration to us paid do graint and make over for us or heires all right tytle and interest of 300 acres lying in County of Rapp. on North side of said River of Rappahannock unto Francis Gowre for ever which land was formerly the land of Thomas Medor...to have and to hold 300 acres unto him Francis Goure which the said Gowre is now seated on and possessed with all. . . forever – Signed this 15 April 1670

Henry Aubrey

Sarah (T or F?) Aubry

Witnessed by Thomas (X) Jenkins

John (I) Evans

Witnesseth that I, "SARAH AWBREY the NOW WIFE of Henry Awbrey" of Rapp. do make and appoynt Mr. Thomas Gouldman my true attorney and in my name to acknowledge in County Court of Rapp. all my right and title claim and interest of 300 acres of land unto Francis Gowre.

Sarah (F) Aubrey."

We do not have much evidence at this time that Henry Awbrey and Sarah had any children from their marriage. A deed in 1690 shows that Henry Awbrey sold 500 acres of his 1050 acre grant on the south side of Hoskins Creek (in Essex County) to his "only son and heir apparent," Richard Awbrey, who appears to have been a son from Henry's first marriage (of whom the name of his wife is not known). Henry Awbrey would later serve as godfather to Richard Haile, as Awbrey appears to have had a strong friendship and connection to Richard White and his family. These descendants would later intermarry within a generation later.

Exactly when Sarah, the widow, died is not exactly known either. Henry Awbrey wrote his will on 1 August 1694 and names his wife Mary, who would probably be his third wife. Awbrey's will, however, makes no mention of any of the Meadors or their heirs. At this point, it appears that the last known record of Sarah is the transfer of land to son John Meador on 15 April 1670, that being his inheritance from his father.

The known family of "Orphan" Thomas and Sarah Meador consists of three children before Thomas's death (and Sarah's subsequent second marriage to Henry Awbrey): John Meador, Susanna Meador, and Mary Meador. In order to split up the length of the knowledge of the Meador families, the descendants of these three children will be published in a sequel to this story. Stay tuned!

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THE NAME AND FAMILY OF MEADOW(S)

The name of MEADOWS or MEADOW is derived from the residence of its first bearers "at the meadow or meadows". In ancient English and early American records the name is found in the various spellings of Medowe, Medewe, Medew, Meader, Meaders, Meador, Meadours, Medo, Medow, Medowes, Medows, Meadowes, Meadowe, Meadow, Meadows, and others. Of these, the last two are the forms most frequently used in America in modern times. Meader may well have been a corruption of Meadow through the same channel as Meador, that is, through the colloquial pronunciation of w as r.

Early seated in the English Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, as well as in the city and vicinity of London, the families bearing this name were, on the whole, of the gentry and yeomanry of Great Britain.

According to historians, the family traces its descent from Edmund de Wytnesham, who was living at Wytnesham, County Suffolk, in the latter part of the eleventh century. His son, Robart de Medewe (Robert of the Meadows), was so called from his residence in the vale of Wytnesham. From Robart was descended Peter de Medewe, of the year 1188, who was the progenitor of Robart de Medewe, who was living at Hasketon, County Suffolk, in 1328. This Robart was the father of Jeffery de Medewe, who had a son of the same name, who married Margaret Fairfax about 1441 and was the father by her of Jeffery, John, and William Medow, of whom the first left an only son, named John.

John Medew or Medow, the second of the last-mentioned brothers, married a Miss Butler and had an only son, named William, who married Deborah, daughter of Edward Duke. William died in 1540 and was succeeded in estates at Wytnesham (now Witnesham) by his son, William Medowe, who left issue by his wife Agnes of William and Daniel, of whom the younger son will be mentioned later. William Meadow (s), the elder of these brothers, married Grizel, daughter of William Mynter, and had three sons, Thomas, Daniel, and Ralph. Of these, Thomas was the father by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of John Lea, of Sir Thomas Meadows, who was Mayor of Yarmouth in 1662; Daniel married Amy, daughter of John Brame, and was the father of Mary and Daniel, of whom the latter (b. 1630) married Joyce, daughter of the Reverend Edward Rivers, and left issue by her of three sons, Daniel, Edmond, and John, of whom the last became a clergyman and left issue by his wife, Bridget Proctor, of John, Daniel (b. 1687), and Elizabeth Meadows; and Ralph was the father of William, Ralph, Mary, and Elizabeth, of whom the first married Mary Rant and had a son named John, who was the father by his wife, Mary Vaughan, of John Meadows, of Henley Hall.

Daniel (b. 1687), the son of the Reverend John Meadows, married Frances, daughter of Francis Thornylow, and had issue by her of Lucy and John, of whom the son was married in 1751 to Frances, daughter of Humphrey Brewster. To this union were born Philip, Daniel, Frances, and Lucinda. Philip, the oldest of these, married Catherine, daughter of

Robert Rust, and was the father by her of two sons, the Reverend Philip and Daniel Rust Meadows.

Daniel Medowe or Meadow, the before-mentioned younger son of William and Agnes, resided at Chattisham Hall, also in Suffolk. By his wife, Elizabeth Lee, he was the father of Daniel, John, Thomas, Sir Philip, Robert, Margaret, and Elizabeth. Of the last-mentioned brothers; Daniel married a daughter of Sir Richard Broke or Brooks, of Norton, and was the father of John and Robert; John married three times, his wives being Anne Rant, Sarah Fairfax, and Anna Beaumont, of whom the second gave him seven children, John, Daniel, Philip, Sarah, Rebecca, Thomas, and Mary; Thomas made his home at London; and Sir Philip, who became ambassador to Portugal in 1656, in 1661 married Constance, daughter of Francis Lucy. To this union was born Sir Philip Meadow(s), who married Dorothy Boscawen, sister of Hugh, first Viscount Falmouth, and was the father by her of a son named Philip, who married Frances, daughter of William Pierrepont, Viscount Newark, and was the father by her of, among others, a son named Charles, who was elevated to the peerage.

As early as 1429 one "John atte (at the) Medowe" was rector of Metton, County Norfolk; and about the same time "William att the Meadow" was rector of East Beckham, County Norfolk. The records of this line are not, however, complete.

In 1689, one Ralph Meadowes, of London, was the father of a son named William, but the records of the London branch of the family are also incomplete.

The connecting links between the family in England and the first settlers of the name in America are not in evidence, but it is probable that all of the Meadows and Meadow lines trace their descent from one or another of the before-mentioned branches.

As early as 1638 two members of the family, Nicholas and Jonathan or John Meader, came to America and settled in Virginia. Of these, Nicholas made his home in Charles City County, while the other settled in Henrico County. However, the records of their immediate families are not at hand.

Before 1641 Philip Meadows, settled at Roxbury, Mass. In that year he married Elizabeth, daughter of Stephen Iggulden or Iggleden. They had at least one child, named Hannah, and probably removed to another part of New England.

John Meader, who came from England to America about 1650, settled before 1653 at Dover, N.H., and was living in 1656 at Oyster River, now Durham, N.H. By his wife, Abigail Follett, whom he married about 1653, he was the father of Elizabeth, John, Joseph, Sarah, Nathaniel, and possibly, Nicholas.

John, son of the immigrant John of New Hampshire, first married Sarah Follett and had issue by her of five children, Joseph, Nicholas, Elizabeth, Abigail, and Sarah. By his second wife, Elizabeth, and his third wife, the Widow Agnes Clark, he had no further issue.

Of the last-mentioned brothers, Joseph was married in 1703 to Charity Nason and removed with her to Nantucket, where they left issue of Patience, Mary, Hanah, John, Nicholas, Moses, Joseph, Sarah, and Elizabeth; while Nicholas resided at Dover and was the father by his wife Lydia of Keziah, Samuel, Nicholas, John, Daniel, and David.

Nathaniel Meader, son of the immigrant John of New Hampshire, also settled at Dover, where he left issue by his wife Eleanor of five children, Lydia, Daniel, Nathaniel, Elizabeth, and Eleanor. The records of this branch are not, however, complete.

Francis Meader (b. 1744) was a member of the Nantucket line of the family, but settled for a time at Edgartown, Mass., and later made his home at Industry, Me. By his wife, Mary Holley, he was the father of John, Francis, Christopher Pease, Joseph, Anna, Henry, William, Judith, and Julia.

One Henry Meadows was living in Amelia County, Va., before 1772, but the records of the original immigrant of the Virginia line are not at hand.

Records of the name in Revolutionary War include Benjamin, Josiah, Giles, Thomas, and William Meadow or Meadows, of Virginia; Francis, Isaac, Isham, Israel, Jacob, James, Joel, and John Meadows, of Virginia; Vincent Meadow or Meador, of Virginia; Samuel Meader, of Pennsylvania; Isham Meader (also recorded as Meadows), of Tennessee; Joel Meder or Meaders (also recorded as Meadows), of Tennessee; Jesse and Martin Meader, of Virginia; Daniel Meader, of Maine; Francis and Josiah Meader, of Massachusetts; Ebenezer, Samuel, Stephen, and Timothy Meader, of New Hampshire; Peter Meadow, of Pennsylvania; William Meadows, of Pennsylvania; and James Meadows, of Massachusetts. Probably some of these were immigrants from Great Britain, but this is not certain.

Josiah and Jacob Meadows, who settled in West Virginia after the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, at Yorktown, were the progenitors of families of the name in Summers County, W.Va., the Middle New River Settlements, and other parts of the South. Josiah had, among others, two sons, Josiah and John Meadows, many of whose descendants spelled the name Meador.

Among the numerous disconnected records of the family in Virginia are those of Hans Meadows, who was living near Richmond about 1788; those of Anderson Meadow(e)s, of Amelia County, who was married in 1790 to Lucy Pollard; those of John Meadow, of Amelia County, who married Polly Whitworth in 1805; those of John Meadows, of Albemarle County, who married Elizabeth Wyant in 1806; those of James Meadows, of Albemarle County, who married Mary Wyant in 1809; those of Jacob Meadows, of Orange and Highland Counties, who married Nancy Roach in 1815 and was the father by her of Thomas, Mitchell, and Sarah; and those of John Meadows, of Greene County, who was the father in the early nineteenth century of a son named Joek, who was the father of John W., Elijah, and Jeremiah M. Meadows.

Chiefly distinguished by their work as educators, authors, and scientists, the Meadow and Meadows families have shown themselves to be, on the whole, thoughtful, determined of purpose, exacting in their demands, not only upon others, but upon themselves as well, and frequently possessed of imagination and ingenuity.

James, Peter, Robert, John, Thomas, Daniel, Ralph, Philip, Josiah, and William are some of the male Christian names most frequently recurrent in the annals of the family.

Among those of the name who have been prominent in America in comparatively recent dates are the following:

- William Ransom Meadows (b. 1875), of Washington, D.C., government official and author.
- Thomas Burton Meadows (b. 1881), of Indiana and Michigan, educator and author.
- Leon Renfroe Meadows (b. 1884), of New York, educator.
- Robert Meadows (twentieth century), of New York, anthropologist.
- John Cassius Meadows (twentieth century), of Tennessee, educator.
- Ethel Babb Meadows (twentieth century), of Missouri, poet.
- Catherine Meadows (twentieth century), of New York and London, novelist.
- Jacob Robert Meadow (b. 1903), of Pennsylvania, chemist.
- Clarence Linton Meader (b. 1868), of Michigan, educator and author.
- Herman Lee Meader (b. 1874), of New York and Pennsylvania, humorist and author.
- Stephen Warren Meader (b. 1898), of New York, author.

A coat of arms of the ancient English family of Meadows, which is believed to have been of common origin with the Meadow family, is described in heraldic terms as follows (Burke, Encyclopedia of Heraldry, 1844):

Arms – "Sable, a chevron ermine between three pelicans with wings endorsed or, vulning themselves proper, on a canton of the third an escutcheon gules, charged with a lion passant guardant or."

Crest – "Out of ducal coronet or, a demi eagle displayed sable."

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We all agree that Ambrose Meador had two sons Thomas and John
Now John son John marries Jane Combs. We not talk him them

There are three Thomas Meador I will start the first one
Thomas son Ambrose

Ambrose land records: Stating " Know All Men by these presents that I Ambrose Meader of the county of Rappa. in Virginia consideraun to me paid by Thomas Meador my son of the county aforesaid (missing) heirs Exes Amrs and assignes five grant bargain sell and assigns ever unto the said Thomas Meader a parcell of land conteyning three hundred acres being part of one thousand acres of land sold and conveyed unto me Ambrose Meader by James Williamson as by a deed of sale under the hand and seal of the said Willimson plainly appeareth situatle lying and being on the north side of Rappa River the said three hundred acres of land edjoying unto the upon the land Thomas Robinson which land ther said Robyson purchased of me Ambrose Meador likewise being part of the one thousand acres or land unto him the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs Admirs and assignes for Ever with all rights and priviledges thereunto belong and appertaining I the said Ambrose Meader do for me my heirs Exrs and Admirs hereby promise to wawrrant and defend the said three hundred acres of land from all persons claiming by Witnes whre of I the said Thomas Meader his heirs Exrs. Admrs or assignes. In witness whereof I the said Ambrose have hereunto put my hand and seal this 30th day of August anno dam 1658

Ambrose (M(his mark)) Meador

in presence of Clement Herbert and John (his mark) Meader (is this Ambrose son?)

Deed Abstracts of old Rappahannock Co, VA

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I AMBROSE MEADR of the Co of Rappa. Planter do (constituet&appoint) my well beloved Sonn THOMAS MEADOR my true & lawfull Attorney for me& in my (place&stead) to acknowledge in Court three hundred acres of land at this Court as by my deed of (missing) appear & I do also by these presentsgive & grant unto my said Attorney full power to make (other) Attorny or Attorneys as my said Attorny shall find cause & in Witness to all & every (the premises) I AMBROSE MEADER have here unto sett my hand this 2d of September 1658

Testee
Clement Herbert
John Meader

* Ambrose Meador last reference in the records is 24 Dec 1661 when he shared a purchase with his son, Thomas. His wife was mentioned (but not by name) in the deed to Thomas Robinson in 1656, but may have preceded him in death.

We Know that there was Thomas Meador/Meades

"THE INDIANS and BACON'S REBELLION"
For a time, white settlement was forbidden above the Pamunkey River; later this prohibition was only for the land above the Piscattaway and Totuskey Creeks. But many settlers filed claims upon the choice river front lands, and by 1646-1650 (as detailed in the first chapter) grants were being given along the Rappahannock River on these areas. The river valley was occupied principally by the Rappahannock Indians, with a few villages of Mattaponi, Moratticoes, Totuskeys, Portobagoes, and others. These tribes were forced into the forested lands behind the mile- deep grants. Behind the grants to James Williamson, William Underwood, and the land of Thomas Meads

The name of Thomas Meads is next found in the records of Lancaster Count y, Virginia, in 1653, at which time he purchased 700 acres of land from Wi lliam Underwood. Underwood was granted 1400 acres on the northeast shore of the Rappahannock River, between Milleck Creek (sometimes known as Willimson's Creek, but now known as Ball's Creek) and Bushwood Creek (now kn own as Little Carter Creek). The portion purchased by Thomas Meads appears to have been the lower half of this grant, which was the portion falling next to Milleck Creek. Here Thomas established his home on higher ground behind an excellent river landing. This place still appears on modern maps as "Islington Landing", but this name does not seem to have been applied to the area until a hundred years later, for it does not appear in early records.

An entry in Lancaster records in 1653 concerns an indentured servant of Thomas Meads named Bour Harrison, who ran away and was returned, for which he was sentenced by the court to serve an additional nine months at t he expiration of his term of indenture. It should be noted that many children were bound out to earn their support of to learn a trade, particularly orphan children. When the age of 17 years was reached they were discharged, with a suit of new clothes and provisions, or to keep the resu ts of their labors if they chose to stay. Many fared far better under this arrangement than they would have otherwise.

THE WILL OF THOMAS MEADS/MEADOR

The last will and testament of Tho. Meads made the 5th day of March (54) Impnt. I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Excr.

I do give to my wife & Daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the ad. plantation not to be my Daughters till after my wife she is decease.

I do give to my two sons, Tho & John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto

my two daughters Margaret & Joyce out of s. land two thousand pounds of tob. Cask at their day of marriage, and in case either of the [m] die that the sd. Tob. To belong to the survivor.

I do give unto my wife & sons & my Daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them.

I do give to my Daughter Anna all the cattle that belonged to her which is about five head of cattle, and likewise I do unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will and testament as witness my hand the day & year above written.

Thomas Mead

12 da. Juny 1655

Witness

Rawleigh Travers

Edward (his mark) Bradshaw

Phat 6 da Juny 1655.

His mark

It should be pointed out here that the will presently exists only as a thi rd-hand copy. Of course, the actual will itself was not filed in the reco rd book --the clerk copied the will. That original record book no long er exists. In the early 1700s many of the badly deteriorated volumes we re laboriously hand-copied for preservation, this book among them. So wh at we have today is a copy of a copy, and copying errors are to be expecte d. Certainly the signature to the will is not that of Thomas Meads, and t he spelling may well be questioned. Early day penmanship (as anyone attem pting to read these early documents will testify) was such that it was oft en impossible to distinguish between and "o" or "e", or a terminal " s" or "r". That the signature of Thomas Meads was written out, perhaps ev en the entire will, and those of the witnesses (except for Edward Bradsha w) (and Rawleigh Travers who was the county sheriff), indicates a degr ee of literacy for Thomas and his witnesses.

Probate of the will was granted to George Bryer, a neighbor, and as was t he custom, the court ordered an appraisal of the estate. This appraisal w as done by four men, including Ambrose Meador and Francis Gower, and was r eturned to the court December 10, 1655. The value was established as 17,5 02 pounds of tobacco, equivalent at the time to about 109 pounds sterlin g, a respectable, though not huge, sum for the time. Because "hard" mon ey was scarce in the colonies, everything was valued in terms of its wor th in tobacco, on a sort of barter system.

As testified by the will, Thomas Meads left a widow, two sons, and four daughters. Quite possibly all these children were under legal age, sin ce at the time when Thomas had entered the country some nineteen yea rs or so before, he had been single. His son Thomas Meador Jr. seems to h ave been the oldest, but was still under the legal age, as in the court se ssion of August 6, 1655 Thomas Meador Meads, orphan, petitioned the cou rt that William Underwood be appointed his guardian. Further, it was orde red that the estate of Thomas Meades, deceased, then in the hands of Geor ge Bryer, be delivered to Underwood.

In January 1655 (actually 1656 by modern dating), the Lancaster Court fou nd that the estate was still undivided and in the hands of George Brye r. The court then ordered four men, again including Ambrose Meador and Fr ancis Gower, to divide the estate according to the will of the deceased

The land mentioned in the will of Thomas Meads appears to have been the 7 00 acres that had been purchased from William Underwood. The creek mentio ned in the will is not identified there, but a plot of this tract revea ls that it would have been divided roughly in half by the lower section a nd first branch of what is called "Juggs Creek" today. This would imply t hat

approximately 350 acres west of "Juggs Creek would have been intend ed for sons Thomas Meador (Jr.) and John, while the remaining 350 acres ea st of the creek was to go to daughter Mary, after the death of her mother

The tract was still undivided in December 1658, when Thomas Meador Mead es (the orphan) contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Hair e, "that was given to me by my father, Thomas Meades, deceased, a nd to my brother (name missing) in case that part of the land...shall fa ll to my lot at the dividing of the said land." In actuality, it is fou nd through later deeds that Mary obtained possession of the entire 700-ac re tract, but in what manner is unknown. Perhaps the portion allott ed to Thomas Meador was exchanged for rights to the grant on Hoskins Creek

Nor does the will of Thomas Meads make mention of grant lands on Hoskins C reek, south of the Rappahannock River, possibly because these grants had n ot been finalized. Yet, a grant in 1664 applying to the 450 acres on Hosk ins Creek indicates that the grant had been left to Thomas Meador Meade r, orphan, by the will of his father, Thomas Meader, deceased. Thus, we ha ve evidence that the elder Thomas Meads Meader (Meads, Meades) bought fr om John Cooke this 450 acre tract, which descended after his death to h is son, Thomas Meader, orphan. While this series of transactions was reco rded in 1664 (long after Thomas Meads had made his will and died), it wou ld appear possible that the actions were started about the time Thomas Mea ds died, and were carried to completion later by Thomas Meador Meader, orp han. The fact that he did not yet possess the land on Hoskins Creek may e xplain why Thomas Meads (the elder) did not include mention of it in his w ill. Of course, one could conclude that there was yet another Thomas Mead es who was the recipient of the grant. But this would require that the re be a second pair of Thomas Meader's father and son, with the further co incidence that the son would be known as Thomas Meader, orphan. A revi ew of the lineage of Ambrose Meador reveals that such a father/son combina tion did not exist among the descendants. This is a vital link in determi ning our lineage, for subsequent deeds for this 450 acre tract make cle ar that, after the land was inherited by John Meador from his father, Thom as Meador, orphan, the lineage is unmistakable.

In summary, it has been found that Thomas Meads left only two surviving he irs to his property, son Thomas Meador Meader and daughter Mary Meads Hobb s.

GRANTEE Meads, Thomas. grantee. DATE 7 September 1654. Location: County location not given. Grantee(s): Meads, Thomas, and John Phillips. Description: 1000 acres on the south side of the Freshes of Rappa: River about 16 Miles above Nanzemum Towne. Source: Land Office Patents No. 3, 1652-1655, p. 376 (Reel 2). Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia. The link for Library of Virginia is listed above.

Thomas Meador children:

1. Thomas "Younger" MEADOR Jr. was born in 1628 and died in or about 1658. (Number 2)

2. John MEADES b: 1638 in Lancaster Co., VA

3. Mary MEADOR was born abt 1640 in VA, married Richard HOBBS. b: 1644 d: 1683

4. Margaret MEADOR was born abt 1642 in VA.

5. Joyce MEADOR was born abt 1644 in VA.

6. Anne MEADOR was born abt 1646 in VA.

The land that Ambrose give son is still in the family

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It will be seen from the above records that not only did Ambrose and Thomas Meads (Meader) live less than two miles apart, but that there was considerable participation by Ambrose in the affairs of Thomas. Yet we find no statement in the records of their relationship, though many opportu ities for such a simple expression as "brother" or "cousin" were passed b y, leaving the question unresolved.

Nor are the records clear about the fate of the unnamed widow of her child ren. There is only one reference that daughter Joyce was in the custo dy of William Underwood; that is all.

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.Lancaster County, 1652-1655
Baltimore: Genealogical Pub., Co., 1961, 113 pgs by Beverly Fleet
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Thomas son Thomas is called Thomas the Younger Meador. Victor Meador mention this in his Meador books. Thomas the Younger Meador wife is Sarah

Land records The state in family so it not record unless the are sold

Know All men by these presents that I Thomas Meader of the countie of Rappa.(in Virgnia for a Vallubale[sic]) consideersaon [sic]to me in hand paid by Richard Tomlynson of the same County Planter (have given granted) bargained and sold and coafirmed and do by these presents for me my heirs and assignes give grant bargined and sell unto the said Richard Tomlynson. One hundred and fifty acres of land lying and being on (missing) Rappa River aforesaid and bing part of a devident of thee hundred acres lately given granted and (missing) said Thomas Meader by Ambrose Meader (my father) TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said one hundred and fifty acres of land with all the houses (orchards & c) thereunton belonging and appertaning (missing) priviledges thereunto belonging (missing) according to the tennour and (missing) by the rents and services (missing) unto ther said Richard Tomlynson his heirs and assignes forever against all persons claiming by from or under me the said Thomas Meader (missing) (Ambrose) Meader, my father or his heirs and have hereunto put my hand and seal date this (missing) ammo 1657

Thomas Meader

450 ac was granted to Thomas Browning on 30 Nov 1657, then assigned to John Cooke in 1659 and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meador (Senior). Before the transaction was recorded on 9 Apr 1664, Thomas Sr had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meador, Orphan. This 450 ac grant became the property of John Meador who divided it among the children of his first wife (deed of gift-Essex Co Deeds & Wills 1692-1695 p 332) anticipating a second marrige. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will.

Thomas Meador (called orphan) apparently was close to legal age at the death of his father, Thomas Meads in 1655, because he was able to make a legal deed in 1658. Much heretofore has been made of his having to be between 14 and 17 years of age to choose his own guardian, but under English common law, 21 was generally considered to be the age of responsibility. Thus, it must be considered that Thomas, the son, was born as early as 1636 or 1637 to have attained 21 years of age by 1658. This also would appear likely in view of his marriage, which must have occurred about this time.

The tract was still undivided in December 1658, when Thomas Meador Mead es (the orphan) contracted to sell 25 acres of his portion to James Hair e, "that was given to me by my father, Thomas Meades, deceased, and to my brother (name missing) in case that part of the land...shall fa ll to my lot at the dividing of the said land." In actuality, it is fou nd through later deeds that Mary obtained possession of the entire 700-ac re tract, but in what manner is unknown. Perhaps the portion allott ed to Thomas Meador was exchanged for rights to the grant on Hoskins Creek .

Of these two grants, the first one recorded was made to the younger Thomas Meador, of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the colony, recorded June 3,1663. Sufficient data survives to permit the plotting of this tract. The grant shows a peculiar characteristic, in that it requires a southeasterly flowing section of Hoskins Creek roughly 181 poles (2986 feet) long, whereas the major portion of Hoskins Creek flows easterly. Of three possible locations along the creek where it flows southeasterly for that length, one would eliminate by its location two near the mouth of the creek, whereas the grant specified that it was toward the head of the creek. Another is eliminated by its encroachment upon property granted to Henry Awbrey further upstream, which also requires a similar-flowing southeast section. The area best fitting the requirements lies at what is known today as "Cheatwood Millpond". This location is just southeast of Rexburg, Virginia, and seven !
miles west of Tappahannock, county seat of Essex County

The second of the two grants was for 450 acres, also near the head of Hoskins Creek. It was first granted to Thomas Browning on November 30,1657. It was then assigned to John Cooke in 1659, and he in turn assigned it to Thomas Meads (senior). Before this series of transactions was finally recorded on April 9,1664, Thomas Sr. had died and the property descended to his son, Thomas Meador, orphan. The above series of actions is recorded in the wording of the grant
By plotting these two grants, it can be seen that they lay side by side on the south side of Hoskins Creek, with the 450 acre grant upstream (west) of the 320 acre grant, and that they shared a common boundary. Both grants were recorded after the apparent death of Thomas Meador, orphan.

The 450 acre grant (made to Thomas Meador, orphan) clearly became the property of John Meador, who divided it among the children of his first wife. Portions were also divided among the children of his second wife through the terms of John's will. A descendant, William Meador, in a deed in 1728 and another in 1734, continued the lineage from his great-grandfather Thomas Meador through John, Richard, and himself, making the descent of the property and lineage involved

unquestionable. The genealogy of the Meador family from Thomas Meads is thus established to that point.

No documentation has been found to show explicitly that Thomas Meader, orphan, was also known as Thomas Meador, the younger. Nevertheless, the only other Thomas Meador found in the area at that time was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador. It would appear that the known facts fit more logically with the conclusion that Thomas, orphan, and Thomas the younger were one and the same. Particularly, Thomas, orphan, is the only one who was also the son of an elder Thomas, thus requiring the description, "the younger".

Nor does the will of Thomas Meads make mention of grant lands on Hoskins C reek, south of the Rappahannock River, possibly because these grants had n ot been finalized. Yet, a grant in 1664 applying to the 450 acres on Hosk ins Creek indicates that the grant had been left to Thomas Meador Meade r, orphan, by the will of his father, Thomas Meader, deceased. Thus, we ha ve evidence that the elder Thomas Meads Meader (Meads, Meades) bought fr om John Cooke this 450 acre tract, which descended after his death to h is son, Thomas Meader, orphan. While this series of transactions was reco rded in 1664 (long after Thomas Meads had made his will and died), it wou ld appear possible that the actions were started about the time Thomas Mea ds died, and were carried to completion later by Thomas Meador Meader, orp han. The fact that he did not yet possess the land on Hoskins Creek may e xplain why Thomas Meads (the elder) did not include mention of it in his w ill. Of course, one could conclude that there was yet another Thomas Meades who was the recipient of the grant. But this would require that the re be a second pair of Thomas Meader's father and son, with the further co incidence that the son would be known as Thomas Meader, orphan. A revi ew of the lineage of Ambrose Meador reveals that such a father/son combina tion did not exist among the descendants. This is a vital link in determi ning our lineage, for subsequent deeds for this 450 acre tract make cle ar that, after the land was inherited by John Meador from his father, Thom as Meador, orphan, the lineage is unmistakable.

In summary, it has been found that Thomas Meads left only two surviving he irs to his property, son Thomas Meador Meader and daughter Mary Meads Hobb s.

Sarah Meador widow of Thomas the Younger will
This latter phrase is found in two documents made by a Sarah Meador, in which, describing herself as the widow of Thomas Meador the Younger, she declared her obligation to her three children in April, 1662. Those contemplating remarriage commonly made such declarations. In the first document, Sarah provided for the maintenance and education of her children, promising them four years of schooling apiece. (At this period, most children received only a year). In the second, Sarah gave her son John Meador a yoke of oxen and "one gun, seven foot by the barrel", to be delivered to him when he came of age. To her daughter Susannah she gave a red cow called "Cherry" and her increase. To her daughter Mary she gave a black heifer called "Slippery". We learn also that Susannah was several years less than 11 years old, and that Mary was less than 9 years old. Since the marriage of Thomas Meador the Younger (or orphan) took place no earlier than 1657 or 1658, all three children w!
ould have been infants at that time.

Thomas the Younger Meador wife. Sarah. Note Sarah out live her son Thomas the Orphan

13 Apr 1662 - 12 Jul 1662(Old Rappahannock Co, Va. DB Part II of 1656-1664:187-188) Apr. 13, 1662.
These presents Witnesseth that I Sarah MEADER Widdow Wife of Thomas MEADER the Younger leately deced in the County of Rappa.

I Sarah MEADER do bind & oblige myself my Exrs. or Admrs. to confirme unto
my Son John MEADER
Sone unto Thomas MEADER lateley deced one yoak of Oxen & one gun Seaven foot by the barrell to be delivered unto my Son John MEADER when he comes of age & furthermore I give as my full act & deed unto

my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER one red Cow called Cherry & her Cow Calf & increase to my aforesaid Daughter only excepting the male of the catle to fall unto me the above said
Sarah MEADER untill my Daughter be full Eleven years of age & after the expiracon of the aforesaid years male & female to fall unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER.
Item I give unto my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER Daughter of the above said Thomas MEADOR (Number 3) one Black heaffer named Slippey she & her increase to my youngest only the male

Excepted to fall unto I the said Sarah MEADER untill my youngest Daughter be fully nine years of age & after the Expiracon of the aforesaid nine years male & female to fall unto Mary MEADER & if it shall please God that my Eldest Daughter shall dye in her minority that all her Catle & their increase shall fall unto her Sister Mary MEADER and likewise in case it should please God that my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER should dye in her minority that her Catle unto my Eldest Daughter Susanna MEADER & furthermore in case that my youngest Daughter Mary MEADER her heiffer should miscarry before she comes to perfeccon that there shall another heiffer or Cow of the same age & her increase to be made good as aforesaid to my Daughter Mary MEADER ï¿½ to be recorded in Court the first or second Courte ensuing the date hereof by any person that I the said Sarah MEADER shall appoint always provided that there be severall marks nominate & recorded for the abovesaid

Childrens Catle them & their increase. In confirmacon I Sarah MEADER bind myself my hand this 13th day of Aprill 1662.

In presence of Abraham COOMBE Sarah [T] MEADER William CLAWSON

These Presents testifieth that I, Sarah MEADER, late wife of Thomas MEADER dec'd. in the County of Rappa. oblige myself to give & allow my children a sufficient & compleat maintenance in every respect as all other ought to do and further more to give them four years a piece Education in learning according as the Country doth afford. In confirmation whereof I Sarah MEADER do bind & oblige myself my heirs or assignes for the performance of this above menconed In presence of Abraham COMBE [sic] /s/ Sarah (+) MEADER

William CLAWSON. Recorded July 12, 1662

(Old Rappahannock County Deed Abstracts 1656-1664, Part II, Ruth & Sam Sparacio, The Antient Press, McLean, VA)

Notes: The above Thomas & Sarah (-----) MEADER family have not yet been identified, but were presumably closely related to John MEADOR whom Abraham COMBS termed his "brother in law" in 1683 (See Below). See also Old Rappa Co VA re William CLAWSON of Worcester (Maryland>Delaware or EN?) and Maryland

Note from Janet: again the Combs family mix the two Johns. John the son of Thomas is not the John who married Joan Combs. John that married Joan Combs was the son of John Meador the old Thomas brother. John and Old Thomas were sons of Ambrose. . Thomas and Sarah being closely related to John who married Joan Combs is sister to Abraham Combe. This John here is Thomas the Younger nephew

The Children of Thomas and Sarah:

1 John MEADER

2 Thomas MEADER The Orphan

3 Susanna MEADER

4 Mary MEADER

What is an Orphan? Also referred to as o/i
Ans. Under legal of age (21) who is due an inheritance

Age breakdowns and categories.

1-6 infant 7-13 puberty, 14-21 orphan Male

Thomas Meador (called Orphan) apparently was close to leagal age (21 under English law) at the death of his father, Thomas Meads, in 1655 because he was able to make a legal deed in 1658. In the deed (Lancaster Co Book 2 p 53). "25 ac of land, being part of the land that was given unto me by my father, Thomas Meades deceased, and to my brother." (His father's will gives the name the brother as John Medor.

Thoms was call Orphan by Sir William Berkeley, Govenor of Virginia. This could happen so he (the Govenor could tell father from son on records)

The below land records by date of 1663 and if I right Thomas
s would be about 21 making him born in 1632.

Genealogical Records of Some Members of The Meador Family who are descendants of Thomas Meador of Virginia." Daniel Burton Meador
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Meadors as recorded in land office (state capitol) 1663

To all etc. Whereas now know ye that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Viginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador, three hundred and twenty acres of land, situated on the south side of Hoskins Creek towards the head thereof in the County of Rappahannock, and extended itself from a marked red oak standing in a small neck by the main run side of creek aforesaid and nigh unto the plantation of John Gillet, thence by the said run side thirty two poles unto a marked oak on the westernmost point of the said neck thence along the northernmost side at Beaver Dam until you meet with a line of marked trees that leadeth unto a poplar by the edge of the said Dam forty-eight poles, thence with the said line South by West. Two hundred and seventy-two poles to marked pine on fallowing Ground. Thence East by South one hundred and twenty-five poles to meet with the Westermost line of marked trees belonging to John Gregory, which divides this and the land of the said

Gregory, thence Northeast down to Hoskins Creek aforesaid and so finally parallel with the said Creek, one hundred eighty-one poles unto the marked Red Oak first above mentioned. The said land being due unto the said Meador for Transportation of Seven person etc. To have and To Hold & Held Yeilding Pay & provided & dated the second June, one thousand, six hundred and sixty-three (June 2,1663)

To all etc. now know ye, that I the said Sir William Berkeley, Knight, Governor of Virginia, give and grant unto Thomas Meador Orphan, four hundred and fifty acres of land in Lancaster County on the South side of the head of Hoskins Creek, beginning at a poplar standing by the side of a Beaver Dam near the Indian path and running South by West two hundred and fifty poles. Thence parallel to the dam West by North four hundred and fifty poles to the dam to the first mentioned tree. The said land being first granted to Thomas Browning by patent dated the thirteenth of November, one thousand, six-hundred and fifty-seven (13 Nov., 1657) and by him assigned to John Cooke and by Cooke assigned to Thomas Meador.

Deceased by his will given to the said Thomas Meader etc. To Have and To Hold etc. To be Held etc. Yielding etc Paying etc. Provided etc Date the ninth of April one thousand, six hundred, sixty-four (9 April, 1664)

Victor states "While it is true that a Thomas Meador once owned 300 acres north of the Rappahannock. This Thomas was the son of Ambrose Meador, instead of Thomas (younger),making Thomas the younger the father of Thomas the Orphan.

Yet the deed from Henry and Sarah Awbrey states that the property was from the purchase by Ambrose Meador out of the grant to James Williamson and from the portion sold by Ambrose to his son Thomas.

Of these two grants, the first one recorded was made to the younger Thom as Meador, of 320 acres for the transportation of seven persons to the col ony, recorded June 3,1663. Sufficient data survives to permit the plotti ng of this tract. The grant shows a peculiar characteristic, in that it r equires a southeasterly flowing section of Hoskins Creek roughly 181 pol es (2986 feet) long, whereas the major portion of Hoskins Creek flows east erly. Of three possible locations along the creek where it flows southeas terly for that length, one would eliminate by its location two near the mo uth of the creek, whereas the grant specified that it was toward the he ad of the creek. Another is eliminated by its encroachment upon proper ty granted to Henry Awbrey further upstream, which also requires a similar -flowing southeast section. The area best fitting the requirements li es at what is known today as "Cheatwood Millpond". This location is ju st southeast of Rexburg, Virginia, and seven miles west of Tappahannock, c ounty seat of Essex County.

This land was past down in the Meador family from Ambrose to son Thomas who died 1655 and Thomas the younger who was died before 1662 both could have died are not one in the same time.

Thomas the younger has wife Sarah.
Thomas the Oprhan has wife Sarah

Sarah widow of Thomas Orphan who marries Henry Awbrey.

Victor states "The Subdivision and the further sales of this deed could easily lead one to believe that Sarah had inherited the property was the widow of Thomas, son of Ambrose. But a more likely explanation is that the property was reassembled by Henry Awbrey into a single tract, for which no records remain. In any case, it would be note that Thomas, son of Ambrose and Thomas son of Thomas, both must have died about the same time which certainly adds to the possible confusion between the two men."

There might three Sarah married to Three Thomas. This may couse the confussion but I not seen who the First Thomas wife name was because she not mention in his will. It only states my wife.

This land when from Ambrose to son Thomas to his son Thomas the Younger to Thomas the Orphan which Henry and Sarah widow of Thomas the orphan now selling the land

deed for 300 acres north of the Rappahannock has caused considerable confusion among researchers. While it is true that a Thomas Meador once owned this property as stated in the deed, this was Thomas, the son of Ambrose Meador, instead of Thomas Meador (orphan), son of Thomas Meads. After Ambrose purchased 1000 acres from James Williamson in 1656, he sold 300 acres from that tract to his son, Thomas. This 300 acres was then divided in half by Thomas, who sold 150 acres to Richard Tomlinson in 1657 and 150 acres to Lambert Lambertson in 1658. Lambertson further divided his tract into 75-acre plots, which were then further sold. While it may seem unlikely that these various small plots could have bee reassembled back into a single 300-acre tract, the evidence points to that event. The remaining 700 acres of the 1000 acres purchase by Ambrose Meador can be fully accounted for. There is no indication that Ambrose purchased additional land from Williams! on, nor that he sold more to his son, Thomas. Yet the deed from Henry and Sarah Awbrey states that the property was from the purchase by Ambrose Meador out of the grant to James Williamson, and from the portion sold by Ambrose to his son Thomas.

Regardless of the subdivision and the further sales, this deed could easily lead one to believe that Sarah had inherited the

property as the widow of Thomas, the son of Ambrose. But a more likely explanation is that Henry Awbrey reassembled the property into a single tract, for which no records remain. Several instances have been noted in which property reverted to the original owner, evidently when the purchaser had defaulted in paying the purchase price. But in this case reversion to Thomas, the son of Ambrose, would appear quite unlikely in view of the many subsequent continuing sales by several individuals. In any case, it should be noted that Thomas, son of Ambrose, and Thomas, son of Thomas, both must have died about the same time, which certainly adds to the possible confusion between the three men.

I thought You all would known this

Henry Awbrey was married at least three times
First wife is unknown but thought she died when Richard was born
Henry children
Alice married Thomas Gouldman and mother of Francis Gouldman who married Mary Meador daughter of Thomas and Sarah Meador
Frances who married Philip Maguire
Richard born abt 1661 married Dorothy North
Remember Thomas the Orphan died 1662
Sarah did not marry Henry Awbrey until Abt 27 Feb 1664 prove

p.188: I, Sarah Meador late wife of Thomas Meador decd in County of Rapp: oblige myself to give and allowe unto my children a sufficient and compleat maintenance in every respect as all other ought to do and further more to give them four (4) years a peice Education in learning according as the county doth aford. Signed, sealed this 12 July Ao.Dom.1662 - /s/ Sarah (T) Meader Wit: WA. Granger Cl.Cur.Com.Rapp.

p.193: Swallow Forked on both ears overkeeled on the right ear pr pr marke of the catle belonging to Susanna Meador daughter of Thomas Meador decd cropt on the right ear and a slitt in the crop and underkeeled in same ear and a hole in the left ear is the ppr mark of the catle belonging to Mary Meador daughter of Thomas Meador decd. A flower de Luce on the right ear and cropt on the left ear is the proper mark of catle belonging to John Meador Son of Thomas Meador decd

The above records were in contemplation of widow, Mrs. Sarah Meadors upcoming marriage to her second husband, Henry Awbrey/Aubry. Second marriage often required a "Marriage Contract," to insure the heirs of a first marriage, their inheritance. 1664 Feb 27 - Old Rappahannock Co, Va - (1656-1664), pt.2 p.353-354:

So Sarah is not Richard mother
I think Richard daughter Mary married John Meador as 2nd wife

Janet

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Early Combs of Old Rappahannock Co, Virginia

Abraham, Archdale, George and Joan(?)

(& maybe Charles, Hannah, Phillip & Thomas?)

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Note: The following is a summary of the **Combs of Old Rappahannock Co VA**. For detailed records of the Combs of this County, see Old Rappahannock Co VA.

The earliest **Combs** (including var. sp.) located thus far in Old Rappa Co, VA, is Abraham COOMBE who was 1st recorded in that county on 13 Apr 1662 when he witnesses a deed for Sarah MEADOR, widow of Thomas MEADOR the Younger (Old Rappahannock Co, Va. DB Part II of 1656-1664:187-188). **Abraham COOMBES** was godfather of John MEADORS, Jr., son of John and **Joan (Combs?)** Meadors, Sr. according to a deed of gift signed by dated 11 Sep 1668. (Rappahannock Co Deed Bk 1668-1672, p. 149)

Note: John MEADORS, Sr., was son of Ambrose MEADOR of Isle of Wight (*Meador Families*, Bernal). The MEADORS who came up from Isle of Wight at the same time as the UNDERWOOD &c families, although no **Combs** have been found in early Isle of Wight records. The MEADORS, as did the UNDERWOODS, owned land on both sides of the Rappahannock River in Old Rappa. County -- the south side later becoming part of Essex, then Caroline counties; the north primarily in that part which became Richmond Co VA, and later King George, on the Westmoreland County line.

No land records have been located for **Abraham Combs**, and the 1668 record is the last found for him in Old Rappa as at some time bet 1668 and 1670, he removed from VA to MD, where he is first found of record on 30 May 1670 in St. Mary's Co, MD, when **Abraham COOMBE** witnesses the will of Wm. TATTERSHALL. In 1679, **Abraham COMB** released his MD headright, and that of his daughter, **Sarah Combs**, to Clement HILL of St. Mary's Co, MD.

On 16 Oct 1683, "**Abraham COMBE** of the Province of Maryland, Gent." gave his power of attorney to John PAYNE (godfather of Mary MEADOR, dau of John and **Joan (Combs?)** Meador) to execute deed of gift to Mary MEADOR, necessary due to death of John MEADOR, Jr. and his father, John MEADOR, Sr., dec'd, who is referred to in this record as the "brother-in-law" **of Abraham Combs**. (Old Rap Co., Va DB 7:155, rec. 10 Dec 1684) By Jan 1684/5, **Abraham Combs** is dec'd, naming dau

Sarah CLARK and wife Margaret in his St. Mary's Co, MD will, dated 26 Dec 1684. Abraham's widow, **Margaret**, later married James Van RESWICK; **Sarah Combs** had married, between 1679 and 1684, **Robert CLARKE** of St. Mary's. In St. Mary's Co MD Abraham Combs is found in records with the ARCHDALE-ALVEY Family, an indication he was of the Archdale-Combs Family of England.

Also in Old Rappa during much of the same time period as **Abraham Combs** was Archdale Combs who first appears in Virginia in the records of Stafford County on 5 Apr 1665, when he drops a suit against a **Wm. BROWN** (Stafford OB 1664-1668, p. 15). **Archdale Combs** sits on two Stafford Co, VA, juries later that year (ibid.), indicating he was a Stafford county land owner at the time, but no land records for him have been found in Stafford - with the possible exception of one reference to an **Archibald COOMS** in 1688. (Stafford Co DB P:98-101)

Archdale Combs' (presumably the same) next appearance in the records is his first in Old Rappa County when on 19 Oct 1665 he witnesses a deed for **James COGHILL** (Old Rappahannock Co. VA. D&W 5:208). **Abraham Combs**, too, witnesses deeds during this time period, and on 1 Dec 1666, **Abraham Combs** witnessed the indenture of Rorah MAKRAH to James COGHILL, property which, on 18 Dec 1666, James COGHILL sells to **Archdale Combs** (Old Rap Co., Va DB Part I of 1668-1670:28-29), and which **Archdale Combs** later sells in turn to Francis TRIPLETT on 9 Apr 1668 (Old Rappa DB 1668-1672, pp. 29-31) (This land has been traced... none remained to **Combs**, first owned by Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD)

By 7 Jun 1666, **Archdall COMBE** had married Elizabeth _____, (see note) widow of Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD, who died in Old Rappahannock, 1661-1663. (Old Rappa. DB 3:93-94 & numerous other records). Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD was the son of Unknown and Margaret ____ UNDERWOOD, the latter marrying (2) John UPTON and (3) Thomas LUCAS. Other children of Margaret _____ (Underwood) (Upton) (Lucas) included Ann UNDERWOOD who m James WILLIAMSON (daus. married BALL & ROSIER); Mary UNDERWOOD who m Col. More FAUNTLEROY; Elizabeth UNDERWOOD who m (1) James TAYLOR, (2) Francis SLAUGHTER; (3) Col. John CATLETT; and (4) Amory BUTLER; and Sarah . Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD left known issue, a son by an earlier marriage (to Mary BURTON? MOSELEY?), Wm. UNDERWOOD, Sr. of Richmond, b 1648-9, who m Mary BUTLER, sister of above Amory BUTLER.

Note: Elizabeth Butler Underwood
She is d/o William Underwood, Senr. and his 1st wife, Mary Butler. 2nd wife: Joane_____.
Mary Butler was sister of Rev. Amory Butler, who d. in 1669. They had another brother, William Underwood, Jr.
July 22, 1663: William Underwod, s/o Wm. Underwood, Sr., appoints his Uncle, Wm. Mosely as guardian and Attorney of his father, Wm. Underwood, Sr.'s will. Wm. Underwood, Jr. was aged 14-1/2 yrs. at the time, being 20 July, 1663. *(In old Rappahannock Co., Va.; Vol.1680-1688, p.121)*

ARCHDELL **COMBS** died in Old Rappahannock Co., Va. by 1692. He md. twice: (1st) Mary Mosely, ca. 1660 or before. She was d/o Wm. Mosely, who is named as Uncle of William Underwood, Jr. Archdell md. (2nd) to Elizabeth Butler Underwood, ca. 1662. She was widow of Wm. Underwood, Jr. of Lancaster Co. & Rappahannock Co., Va. (*The Underwoods of Virginia, by Augusta B. Fothergill*)

A series of Old Rappa and Richmond deeds shows that in exchange for her thirds from estate of Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD, his relict Elizabeth, now wife of **Archdale Combs**, secured from her step-son,

Wm. UNDERWOOD, Sr., 600 a. of land on Peumans End Run, S side Rappa, for her sons, Wm. UNDERWOOD, Jr., John Combs and William Combs. (**Note**: It appears that Elizabeth had earlier married another UNDERWOOD, given name unknown, by whom she had William UNDERWOOD, Jr., born 1652-1662, thus Elizabeth had at least three William UNDEWOODS in her family: her husband Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD, her step-son, Wm. UNDERWOOD, Sr., and her son, Wm. UNDERWOOD, Jr.).

The primary deeds documenting these relationships have already been collected. The deed that documents the descendants of Elizabeth _____ (Underwood) (Underwood) **Combs** is Richmond VA DB1:4 which specifies that **Elizabeth's** "thirds" (dower right) are to be secured for her sons as above noted. **John Combs** appears to have retained his moiety of the 600 acres on Peumans End Run, but both **William UNDERWOOD, Jr.** and **William Combs**, later sold their shares to Richard TUTT, husband of Mary UNDERWOOD, daughter of Wm. and Mary BUTLER Underwood, Sr. (Elizabeth's step-son).

In addition to **Abraham, Archdale and Joane**(?) **Combs**, and **John** and **William Combs**, the sons of **Archdale and Elizabeth _____ (Underwood) (Underwood) Combs**, only five other **Combs** are found in the records of Old Rappahannock:

1. **George COMES**, whose name is found in only one Old Rappa record -on 17 Apr 1667, as a headright of Major William BALL & Mr. Thomas CHETWOOD (VA Land Patent Book 6, p. 20) The above Major Wm. BALL was probably Col. William BALL, Sr., father of William BALL, Jr., who married Margaret WILLIAMSON, niece of Col. Wm. UNDERWOOD. It is possible that the above **George COMES** is the same who married **Anne BURTON**, daughter of **Richard** bef 1656, probably in England. (VSLA, Somerset House references) **George Combs** is also quite possibly the ancestor of **John** and **George Combs** of **Prince George (Amelia) VA** ca 1732 .(VA Patent Book 14:486 & 1737 Amelia County Titheables), and/or the **George Combs** later found in **Henrico Co VA.**

2. **Charles Combs**, who was apprenticed to John BUTLER on 7 May 1684 (Old Rappahannock OB, 1683-1686, p. 20 (27)), and who may be the same later found in the records of **Essex County VA** (possibly even a younger son of **Archdale** and **Elizabeth Combs**?) It is not known if the above John BUTLER was kin to **Amory BUTLER** and his sister, **Mary BUTLER Underwood**.

3. **Phillip COMBES (Comer?)** who was a witness in **Richmond Co VA** (organized from Old Rappa. in 1690-1), on 14 Dec 1692 to a deed between John DEANE, Wm. CLAPHAM in reference to the daughters of Sylvester and Margaret (POWELL?) Thatcher (Richmond DB2:81-2(42). Margaret (POWELL?) Thatcher married next Warwick CAMMOCK, earlier landholder of the above 200 acres on Peumans End Run, and close associate and next door neighbor to John MEADOR, Sr. The above is the only **Philip COMERS** *or* **Combs** found in Old Rappahannock/Richmond/Essex records; however, there were at least two **Philip Combs** in later **Westmoreland County** (adjacent to what would become Richmond and later King George), of whom he may be one.

4. On 16 Apr 1675, a **Hannah COMES** is a headright of Mr. Thomas BOWLER. She, too, remains unidentified. (Old Rappa. Co - VA Land Patent Bk No. 6:567)

5. In 1683, a **Dies COME** is listed as a headright of Thomas GOULDMAN (Old Rappa. Co - VA Patent Book No. 6, pp. 526-7). He is untraced, and it is not known if he ever lived in Old Rappahannock. He may have also been a Thomas Combs (research in progress). A Thomas Combs, listed as headright of John GARNETT, most of which land was in Gloucester, but which may have included some Old Rappahannock Co, VA in later Essex Co, where at least one son of Garnett later lived. (Virginia Families, Vol. III, The Garnetts of Essex and their homes, p.122)

See Also the Combs County Records of Caroline, Essex, Henrico, Old Rappahannock, Richmond, Stafford and Westmoreland, VA; Charles, St. Mary's and Talbot Cos, MD; Early Combs to VA and Maryland, and the ARCHDALE-Combs Families of England.

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Ambrose Meador Family

(1b) Ambrose Meador
b. 1600-1610
d. b/f May 3, 1663

---?--- (wife living in 1656, but died before Ambrose)

(2b) John Meador
b. @ 1633
d. b/f Oct. 1683

Joanne Coombes (1st wife)
d. 1665-1672

Susannah ---?--- (2nd wife)
b. after 1652
will pro. December 30, 1700

mar. @ 1672

(See chart on following page)

(2b) Thomas Meador
b. 1634-1636
d. after December 24, 1661 deed

In Lancaster and Rappahannock records, Ambrose Meador signs "M". John Meador at first signs "I" (a popular mark), then signs name. Thomas Meador always signs his name.

(2b) John Meador Family

(1b) Ambrose Meador

(2b) John Meador
b. 1633
d. b/f Oct. 1683

Joanne Coombes (1st wife)
d. 1665-1672

(See Underwood family chart)

(3b) Mary Meador
(God-dau. of Robert Payne 1671)

(3b) John Meador
(gift from Abraham Coombes 1668 - dead by 1683)

Susannah ---?---* (2nd)
b. after 1652
will pro. 1700

---?--- Brooks* (1st)

Elizabeth Brooks*

Richard Shipp*

Tobias Shipp

Thomas Shipp*

Job Virgett (2nd)
d. b/f 1672

Job Virgett, Jr.
d. 1712

Elizabeth Boudrey

mar. @ 1672

(William?) Davis (4th)
d. by 1691

William Davis

Cornelius Reynolds

(3b) Thomas Meador
b. @ 1673 - will pro. Jan. 31, 1717

Susannah Reynolds
b. 1665
d. after 1705

mar. @ 1698

John Goss
d. b/f 1698

mar. by 1681

(4b) John Meador
b. @ 1700-6
d. 1717-20

John Goss
b. @ 1685
d. 1705

Sarah Goss

Broderick Coghill

Ann Sallis (2nd wife)

mar. @ 1706+

Thomas Ayers (2nd)
will Mar. 3, 1722

mar. 1716

John M. Ayers
d. b/f 1723

Jeremy Bizwell (3rd)
d. 1732

*Ancestors of Pres. Truman

(1) Thomas Meads

(1) Thomas Meads (Meades) ---?---
b. @ 1612-18 Eng.
d. b/f June 6, 1655 d. after 1655

(2) Thomas Meador Sarah ---?---
b. 1635-8 Va.
d. b/f April, 1662
mar. @ 1658-9

Henry Awbrey (2nd)
d. Sept. 1694
mar. after
April, 1662

(See separate chart)

(2) John Meador

(2) Mary Meador Richard Hobbs
b. 1640's b. 1644
d. 1683

(See separate chart)

(2) Margaret Meador

(2) Joyce Meador
(guardian was William Underwood, Sept. 1656)

(2) Ann Meador

(2) Thomas Meador and Awbrey Family

Sarah ---?---
d. 1672-92

(2) Thomas Meador (1st husb.)
b. 1635-8 Va.
d. b/f April, 1662
mar. @ 1658-9

(3) John Meador
b. 1658-60
d. 1721 Essex Co.

Elizabeth White (1st wife)
d. August 17, 1694?
mar. b/f Feb. 1678

---?--- (2nd wife)
mar. @ 1695-6

(See separate chart)

(3) Susannah Meador
b. @ 1659-60

Phillip McGuire

(3) Mary Meador
b. @ 1660-1
d. 1717 Essex Co.

Col Francis Gouldman
d. 1716 Essex Co.

Henry Awbrey (2nd husb.)
d. 1694
mar. 1662-4

Mary ---?--- (2nd wife)

Richard Awbrey
b. @ 1664
d. 1697 Essex Co.

Dorothy North (daughter of Augustine and Dorothy North)

Thomas Gouldman II
mar. @ 1697

Peter Ransome
mar. 1699

Mary Awbrey

Henry Awbrey II
b. after 1683

Dorothy Awbrey
b. @ 1687

John Billups
mar. b/f 1718

(child)
b. after 1697 will

(3) John Meador

(2) Thomas Meador
@ 1638-1661

Sarah ---?---

Richard White
d. 1690-2

Addra ---?---

Thomas White
(killed by Indians
Sept., 1661)

(3) John Meador
b. 1658-60
will pro. Nov. 21, 1721

Elizabeth White
d. Aug. 17, 1694?

mar. between July, 1677 and Feb., 1678

(4) Richard Meador
b. 1678-9
will pro. May, 1716

Anne Moss (dau. of John Moss)

James Bradbury (2nd)
inv. 1749

(See separate chart)

(4) Thomas Meador
will July 31, 1758

Elizabeth Wood

(See separate chart)

(4) Rachel Meador*

William Jordan

Jonas Jordan
1725-1785

(4) Elizabeth Meador

John Armstrong
will pro. 1748

(See separate chart)

(4) John Meador Jr.
d. May 14, 1720

Sarah Gregory (dau. of Richard Gregory)
d. b/f 1720

(5) Susannah Meador

(6) Edward Meador?*
b. 1730's

Mary ---?---

(6) (Illeg. child)
b. 1754

(4) Hope Meador
(son) d. b/f 1721

(continued on next page)

*See text.

(3) John Meador (continued)

(4) Esther (Hester) Meador
d. b/f 1721
mar. by 1709

William Bourne
will pro. July 11, 1739

Elizabeth ---?---

(See separate chart)

---?--- (2nd wife)
mar. @ 1795-6

(4) Dinah Meador*
d. @ 1696
d. 1741-43

George Tribble

Ann ---?--- (2nd wife)
mar. by 1744

(4) Jonas Meador*
b. @ 1698 - 1700
d. 1768 Cumb. Co.

Frances ---?---

(See separate chart)

(4) Mary Meador
b. @ 1700
(of legal age at 1721 will, unmarried)

(4) Joshua Meador

(4) Job Meador
b. @ 1704-7 twin

(4) Jason Meador*
b. @ 1704-7 twin
d. 1774 N. Car.

Elizabeth Stone

(See separate chart)

* It is not within the province of this volume to recount the descendants of these children as have been established by the research of others in various areas. See text.

(4) Richard Meador

(3) John Meador
d. 1721

(4) Richard Meador
b. 1678-81
will pro. May, 1716
D&W 14, p. 526

Ann Moss

John Moss (D.B. 9, p. 247
D.B. 10, p. 132
Feb. 9, 1702)

James Bradbury (2nd hus.)
Inv. 1749
W.B. 8, p. 152

Mary Phitzsimmons
will June 4, 1756
W.B. 10, p. 95

Frances Phitzsimmons
d. Jan. 2, 1770
W.B. 12, p. 398

(5) William Meador
b. @ 1706 - Inv. 1759
W.B. 11, p. 227 & 275

(6) Rachel Meador

(John Wagoner?)
(in Culpepper
Co. 1771)

(6) Jeremiah Meador
(to Bedford Co.?)

(6) Sarah Meador

(6) Elizabeth Meador

(6) Leroy Meador
C.O.B. 29, p. 292-(1776) RWS

(5) Richard Meador Jr.
b. @ 1710-12
will pro. Feb. 19, 1776
W.B. 18, p. 483

Milly ---?---

James Johnston (2nd)

Richard & Ann Burke
D.B. 37, p. 264

Mary Burke

(6) Richard Meador
mar. b/f 1801

(5) Unknown daughter(s)

(5) Addra Meador
(youngest daughter, living 1716)

The Erasmus Allen Family

Erasmus Allen — Dinah Wagoner (dau. of John Wagoner)
Will Jan. 26, 1739 — d. b/f Nov. 1751
COB 19, p. 279 — WB 9, p. 136

Barbara Allen — Francis Jones
DB 26, p. 67

John Allen, Sr. — ---?--- (1st wife)
d. 1750 no will
Inv. WB 9, p. 70
COB 19, p. 209

Elizabeth Reeves (2nd wife) (dau. of Henry Reeves II)
mar. by 1738

(See separate chart)

Erasmus (Withers?) Allen
d. b/f 1753

Joseph Allen
(to Spottsylvania Co., Va.)

Benjamin Allen — (5) Elizabeth Meador (dau. of (4) Thomas Meador)
d. 1765
COB 26, p. 214

William Barton (2nd)
d. 1783
WB 13, p. 438

(See separate chart)

John Gatewood (I)

John Gatewood (I)
d. Jan. 1707
D&W 12, p. 328

Amy ---?---
d. 1745
WB 7, p. 238

Joseph Baker (2nd husb.)
d. b/f 1745

John Gatewood (II)
d. 1751
WB 8, p. 400

Catherine Burnett

(See separate chart)

Richard Gatewood (I)
d. 1730
WB 4, p. 411

---?--- (1st wife)

Patience Reeves (2nd wife) (see Reeves family)
d. 1745
WB 7, p. 309

(See separate chart)

Benjamin Gatewood (Rhoda?) Burnett

James Gatewood Penelope Fullerton (dau. of Sarah Webb)

Frances Gatewood ---?--- Schackleford

Thomas Gatewood ---?---
d. 1749
WB 8, p. 201

Thomas Gatewood
Elizabeth Gatewood (Benjamin?) Haile

Amy Gatewood ---?--- St. John

Ambrose Gatewood Martha ---?---

Robert Gatewood
John Gatewood
Sarah Gatewood
Rachel Gatewood
Joseph Gatewood

Henry Gatewood Dorothy Dudley (dau. of Richard Dudley)
mar. by 1716
d. 1716
D&W 15, p. 79

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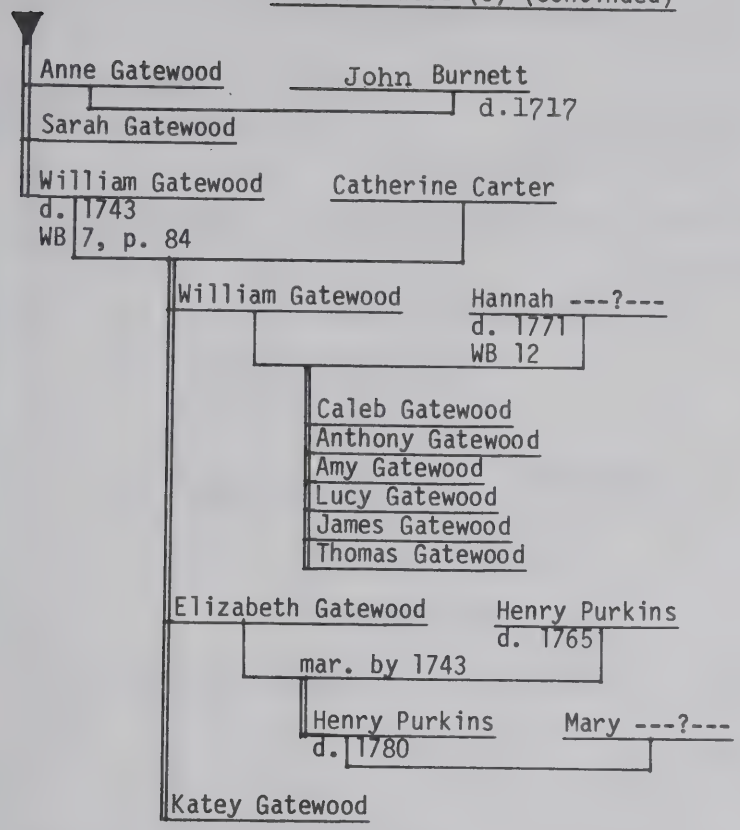
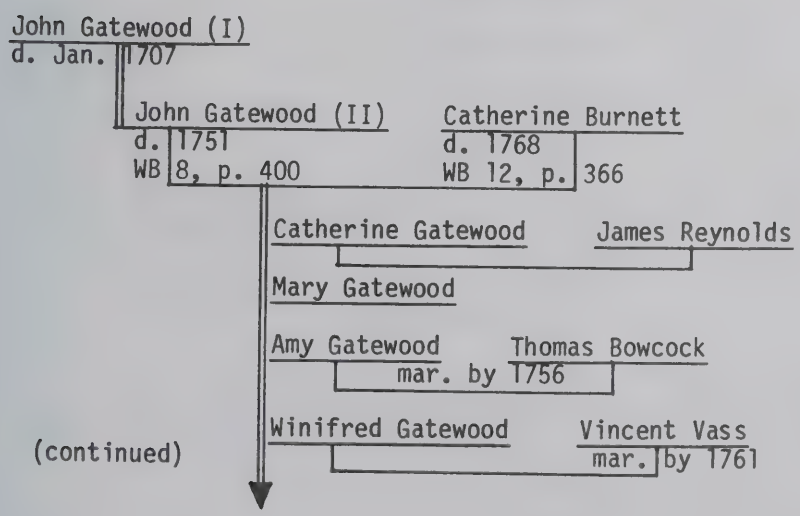
John Gatewood (I) (continued)

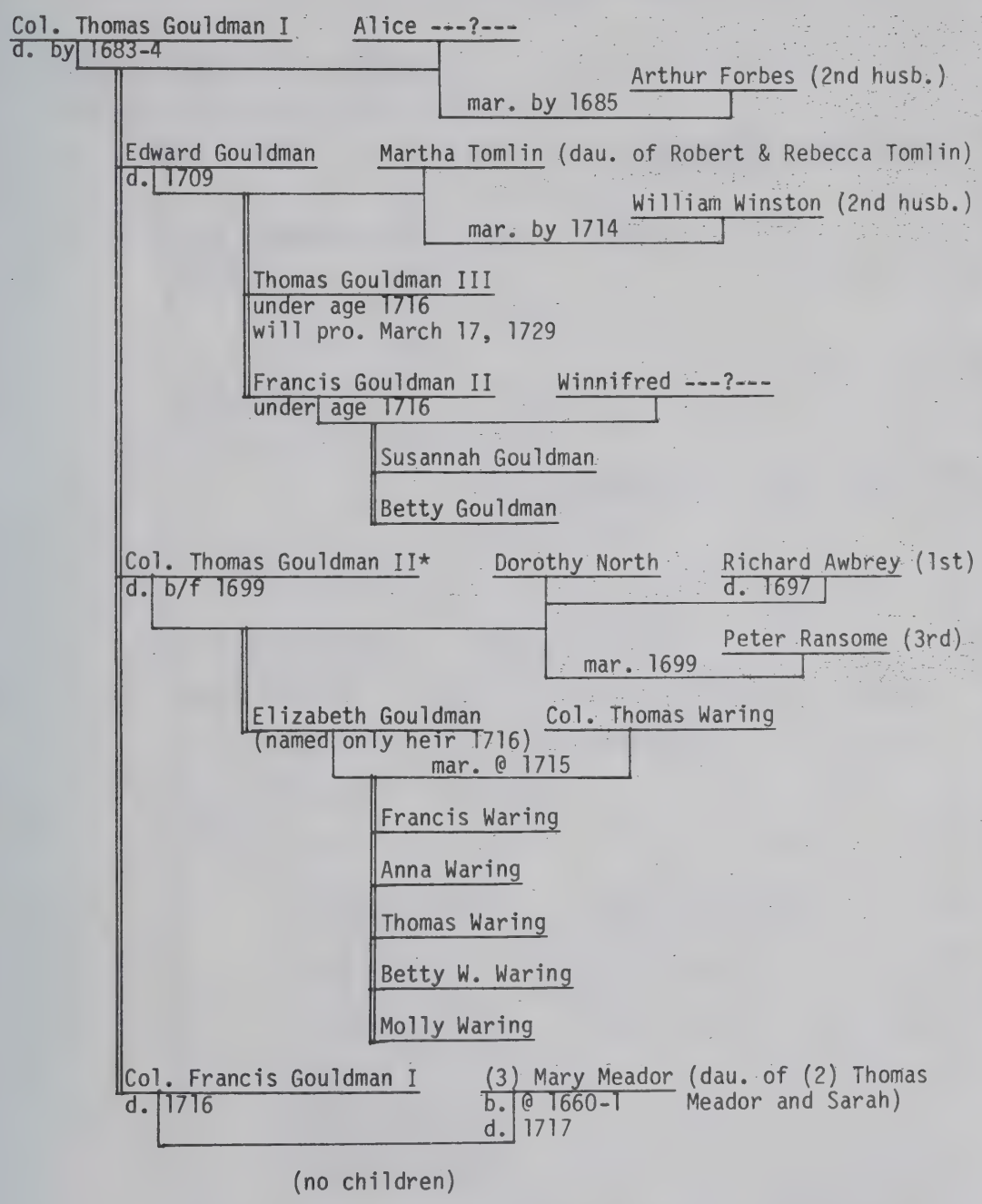


John Gatewood (I) had land on Hoskins Creek adjoining (3) John Meador - See DB 13, pp. 188, 319, & 331; DB 15, p. 249, and DB 16, p. 296. The Gatewoods' land extended into the Caroline County area as early as 1687. See D&W 12, p. 328.

John Gatewood (II)



The Gouldman Family



*The author cannot determine if there was a prior marriage or other children who may have been deceased by 1716.

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D&W 12, p. 328

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Sarah Gatewood
Rachel Gatewood
Joseph Gatewood

Henry Gatewood Dorothy Dudley (dau. of Richard Dudley)
mar. by 1716
d. 1716
D&W 15, p. 79

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The Gregory Family

John Gregory — Elizabeth ---?---
d. April. 21 to Dec. 9, 1676

- John Gregory, Jr. — ---?--- Bishop (sister to Robert Bishop)
  Will Dec. 18, 1677
  - Elizabeth Gregory — Thomas Wheeler
    Will pro. Dec. 30, 1700
    - Mary Wheeler
    - Elizabeth Wheeler
    - Ann Wheeler
    - Thomas Wheeler
    - Robert Wheeler
    - Richard Wheeler
    - John Wheeler
  - Mary Gregory — James Taylor (1st husb.)
    will 1698
    - Anne Taylor
    - Rowland Thomas (2nd husb.)
  - Richard Gregory — Katherine Armstrong — Thomas Bourne
    Will Feb. 17, 1701 — d. b/f March, 1711 — d. 1681-2
    D&W 10, p. 79
    (See Bourne family)
    - Richard Gregory, Jr. — Mary Ward
      Will pro. Aug. 17, 1725
      WB 4, p. 149
      - John Ward
    - Sarah Gregory — (4) John Meador, Jr.
      d. b/f 1720 — d. 1720
      WB 3, p. 147
      - (5) Susannah Meador
    - John Gregory
      d. b/f 1725
    - Elizabeth Gregory — Thomas Moore
      Inv. 1745
      - John Moore
      - Billy Moore
      - Thomas Moore
      - Richard Moore
      - Mary Moore
      - Sarah Moore

John Gregory the elder bought 600 acres on Hoskins Creek February 20, 1663. Robert Bishop bought 480 acres from Henry Awbrey, which he willed to John Gregory, Jr. in 1676, and by John's will in 1677 was given to Mary Gregory. John, Jr. also gave 250 acres on Hoskins Creek to his sister, Elizabeth Wheeler. Richard Gregory, Sr. patented over 1700 acres in New Kent County and a small acreage in Rappahannock County.

(1) Thomas Meador

Our earliest known ancestor was Thomas Meades/Meader/Meador, who came to the Jamestown Colony in Virginia in the early 1630's. His origin in England is still unknown, although popular thinking would make him a member of one of the several families of similar name in the county of Suffolk in southeast England. But no supporting evidence has yet been found.

Both Thomas and a possible brother, Ambrose Meador, had their passages paid by others, to whom they surrendered their "headright grants" of 50 acres of land each in 1636. Ambrose (and quite possibly Thomas) settled in Isle of Wight County on the south side of the Pagan River. The area had been colonized about 1610 by members of the Puritan belief, soon after the founding of the Jamestown Colony in 1607. Ambrose, at least, has been identified as a member of the Puritans there, and he and perhaps Thomas as well lived nearby when St. Luke's Church (the oldest church of the colonies still remaining) was constructed in 1632. A visit to this very beautiful church of our ancestors is highly rewarding.

There was a general migration from the Isle of Wight about 1650, perhaps to escape the jurisdiction of the royal governor, who had promoted an edict against the Puritan teachings. They settled along the northeast shore of the Rappahannock River (in present Richmond Co.) where Ambrose purchased 1000 acres from a grant to James Williamson, and Thomas bought 750 acres from a grant to William Underwood.

The two plantations were only a couple of miles apart, but no definite statement of the relationship between the two men can be made. Ambrose called his lands "Accokeek," an Indian name; about a hundred years later we find the name "Islington" applied to the plantation once owned by Thomas Meador, but it is uncertain if this is the name given by Thomas. Both plantation names are still in use today, although the original buildings are long gone.

As documented thoroughly in the previous volume, Ambrose left no descendants beyond the 4th. generation, and apparently his lineage ends there. But Thomas, when he died in 1655, left a will (see transcription) listing his widow, who is not named, two sons, and four daughters. Of these six children, only the families of son Thomas and daughter Mary have been traced. Mary married Richard Hobbs and her descendants have been traced to the 6th. generation. The lineage of the younger Thomas was continued through to the 5th. generation; these pages extend that heritage to the 16th. generation.

The younger (2) Thomas Meador married a Sarah (last name unknown) and their children were (3) John, (3) Susannah, and (3) Mary Meador. The descendants of these two girls (if any) could not be ascertained. After the early death of (2) Thomas about 1662, his widow Sarah married the wealthy Henry Awbrey (who later was the Burgess from Essex County) and there was one son, Richard Awbrey, of this marriage. Some of his descendants have been traced.

(3) John Meador inherited the grant lands of his father on Hoskins Creek in Essex County, Virginia. He spent the remainder of his life there. In 1677-8 he married Elizabeth White, the daughter of Richard and Addra White, and by her there were four sons and three daughters. After her death in 1694, John married a second time (the name of his wife is unknown) and there were four more sons and two daughters, making thirteen children in all. The descendants of many of these children have been determined, with several lineages continued down to the present. In these volumes will be recounted the descent of (4) Jonas Meador; another known from records only as Joel; (5) Ambrose Meador, and (6) William Meador, all descendants of (3) John Meador of Essex County.

Please refer to the family charts following.

NOTE: The family name has been rendered at least 27 different ways, according to the literacy or preference of the writer. The preferred spelling by (2) Thomas and his descendants was "Meador," and this is still in use today, although the spelling "Meadows" is now more common. Regardless of the spelling, most of those using the name whose lineage has been traced back to the early 1700's come from the family line given above.

The Will of Thomas Meads/Meador

The last will & testament of Tho. Meads made the 5th. day of March (54.) Imp$^{nt.}$ I do bequeath my body to the Earth & my soul to God that gave it. I do make my wife my sole & absolute Excr. I do give to my wife & Daughter Mary this plantation that I now live upon and all the land on this side of the Creek, and the sd. plantation not to be my Daughter's 'till after my wife's decease. I do give to my two sons Tho. & John Meads all the land that is on the west side of the Creek provided that they pay unto my two Daughters Margaret & Joyce out of the s. land two thousand pounds of tob. & cask at their day of marriage, and in case either of the[m] die that the sd. tob. to belong to the survivor. I do give unto my wife & sons & my Daughters above mentioned all my goods and chattels after my debts are paid and that they shall be equally divided amongst them. I do give to my Daughter Anne all the cattle that belongeth to her which is about five head of cattle, and likewise I do give unto her one shilling in money. This is my last will & testament as witness my hand the day & year above written.

witness Thomas Mead

Rawleigh Travers

John Richardson 12^{0} da. Juny 1655

Edward ⌐⌐⌐ Bradshaw

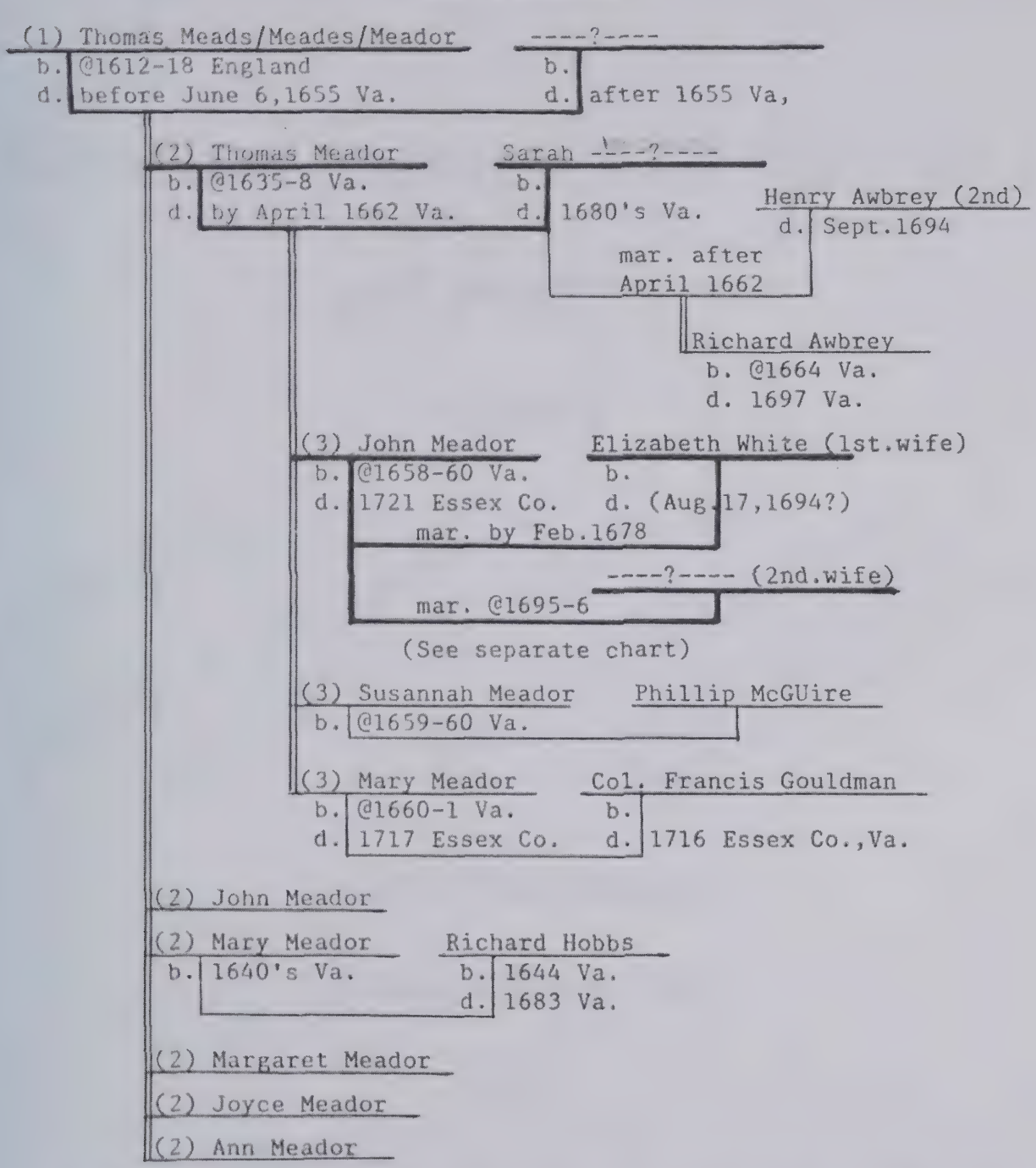
his mark

pbat. 6^{0} da. Juny 1655

The date of the above will, March 5th.,1654 would have been 1655 under the new calendar adopted later. Under the Julian calendar, the new year began March 25th., which was changed to January 1st. when the Gregorian calendar was adopted. Therefore, the above will was submitted for probate three months after it was written.

The will presently exists only as a copy of a copy, and the name has been rendered as "Mead" or "Meads", and there is no assurance that this is the way it was written. Later, when the descendants were signing their names, they used the preferred spelling of "Meador."

(1) Thomas Meads/Meades/Meador
(2) Thomas Meador



The will of Thomas Meads (see the transcription) does not name his wife, but names the above children. The further descendants of Henry Awbrey and (2) Mary Meador have been traced (see the previous volume). The present work continues the lineage of (3) John Meador through some of his descendants.

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Smithfield, Isle of Wight County, Virginia
Oldest standing English Church in the United States

Erected 1632, while Ambrose and possibly Thomas Meador resided nearby.

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Errata and additions

Copyright page - The previous book, "Our Meador Families in North Central Tennessee, was published in 1971.

Table of Contents - (5) Archibald Meador will be found on p. 1775.

17 - The date of arrival of (4) Dinah Meador in Caroline Co. was 1735.

23 - Debby Miseles presents a good case for the wife of (5) Jehu Meador to be Sarah Hubbard, & wife of (5) Joab to be Sarah Atkinson.

47 - The chart for (12) Gordon Eastwood was omitted.

74 - For (11) Matilda Doss see p. 1848. Her daughter was Eunice Blankenship.

131 - The creek named in line 3 was Indian Run. In line 24, the name should be Joseph Meador, not James Meador.

166 - The chart for (7) Asa Meador was omitted.

184 - The chart for (9) Jesse Peter Meador was not made.

207 - The correct dates for (8) Jesse Meador are @1813 - 1880+.

209 - Of the two marriage dates for this couple the 2nd. should be 1884.

260 - The chart for (8) Joseph A. W. Meador was not made.

276 - The birthdate for (12) Alan Dale Walker should be 1957.

281 - Charts for (10) Maude, (10) Leonard, & (10) Clarence were omitted.

309 - Notes for the family of (9) Earl Demit Kyle were left out.

313 & 316 - Charles & David Meador were sons of (9) Sidney G. Meador. See p. 128 for the correct families.

348 - The death of (10) John Nelson Meador occurred in 1939.

323 - For Sidney and Amanda Woodcock, See p. 1165.

368 - The birth of (8) Joel W. Meador was in 1825 - see chart next page.

388 - (9) Fountain Hire was married only once - Frances died in 1934.

395 - For the correct family of Noah Herald, see p. 992.

428 - This dandy got by me! - remove Mary Mitchell as the wife of (7) Jesse ---she married (7) Jesse Meador on 1555. The wife of THIS (7) Jesse remains unknown and any children unknown.

438 - The chart for (12) Ruby A. Meadows was not made.

472 - The chart for (9) Sarah Elizabeth Meador was omitted.

478 - Add connecting lines between (11) Clementine Ray and Luther Wright.

521 - According to descendants, Nancy J., William J., & Herschel were children of Mary M. Jent & James Wiley Stinson, and named Stinson.

598 - The chart for (10) Clarence R. Meador was omitted.

609 - The chart for (9) Lawrence Dow Bullard was overlooked.

612 - See Judge Daniel B. Meador for these four Byars families.

740 - Add connecting lines to (10) Ernest Daggett and Hesseltine Lutes.

801 - Jessie C. S. Holliday died June 5, 1985.

802 - The birthdate of Sarah Jane Cochron was @1842.

842 - (9) Nancy Ellie Meador was b. Aug. 22, 1868 and is buried in King Cemetery. (11) William Riley Whittemore was b. Apr. 7, 1883 and d. May 30, 1949, and is in Cold Spring Cemetery. See p. 186.

850 - Agnes Walrond was the dau. of Burrell and Caroline Walrond.

885 - The charts for (8) Payton and (8) John Johnson were not made.

936 - (9) Clay Martin married a daughter of (9) Rebecca Martin - see p. 944.

1018 - (8) John F. Meador was the son of (7) Jesse Meador on p. 1020.
1027 & 1028 - These pages duplicated on p. 1042 & 1045.
1055 - (11) Woodrow Wilson Stuart was married June 16, 1940. This couple just celebrated their golden anniversary.
1058 - Sarah Law married (7) Ananias, son of (7) Joseph Meador - p. 999.
1064 - The family name of (10) Alma Edna Waller is given as her maried name (Claypoole) - it is correct on the chart on next page.
1070 - The chart for (10) Wilbur O. Meador was omitted.
1099 - The chart for (9) Rose Ellen Meador is on p. 1240.
1139 - The chart for (9) Matilda Etta Cliburn was overlooked and left out.
1164 - In sketch, the name of (8) James Dyer Claiborne was garbled.
1165 - For the identification of A. E. Meador, see p. 323.
1197 - The Civil War battle mentioned was the Seven Days Battle.
1233 - The chart for (9) Eliza Ann Wright was never made.
1234 - The chart for (9) Joel Wilson Wright was not made.
1238 - (9) Rosa Ellen Meador is identified on p. 1241.
1267 - The chart for (10) Mollie P. Meador was not made.
1355 - The page duplicated on p. 1356. The correct page is enclosed.
1407 - (10) Arthur Judd died in 1958.
1588 - The dates at top of page for (7) Jonas should be @1805 - 1884.
1622 - The chart for (7) Isabella Meador was never made.
1644 - This Benjamin Meador is elsewhere correctly called (6) Benjamin Meador (II). There were 7 Benjamins in the area.
1661 - 1673 - These pages were duplicated on p. 1762 - 1774.
1684 - For a chart of (7) Jemima Meador, see p. 1729.
1692 - A chart for (8) Lucy Mary Meador was not made.
1739 - A chart for (8) Thomas B. Meador will be found on p. 1741.
1754 - First husband of (9) Sarah F. Meador was James Ellis - see p.1833.
1802 - A chart for (7) Lydia Meador is on p. 1806. No satisfactory chart could be made for (7) Benjamin Meador (VII)---see his son Abraham on p. 1880.
1831 - A chart for (10) Effie Nimmo is on p. 1087.
1855 - Chart for (8) Hudson Martin & (9) Ann Eliza Spradlin is on p. 91.
1868 - The four additional charts called for here were not made.
1917 - A better chart for (7) George Bandy is on p. 1909.
1926 - For Lydia St. Clair, see p. 1967.
1965 - Add a connecting line from (8) Rachel Jared to her second husband, ---?--- Farley.

(6) Benjamin Meador (II)

5) Benjamin Meador (I)
1730's - 1797

(6) Benjamin Meador (II)
b. Aug.18,1763 Amelia Co.,Va.
d. May 8,1840 Bedford Co.,Va.
mar. Feb.7,1789
Prince Edward Co.,Va.

Mary Ann (Polly) Morris (dau.of Sylvanus Morris)
b. --
d. Dec.8,1836 Bedford Co.,Va.

(7) Elizabeth Meador
b. @1792 Va.
d. Meade Co., Ky.
mar. Dec.20,1817
Bedford Co.,Va.

Littleberry Wright (son of Joseph Wright Jr.)
b. Mar.25,1791
d. Meade Co.,Ky.

(See separate chart)

(7) Wilson (Wilse) Meador
b. @1792 Bedford Co.,Va.
d. Jan.31,1881 Bedford Co.
mar. Feb.11,1817
Bedford Co.,Va.

Mary (Polly) Compton (1st.wife)

(8) Mary Louise Wright (2nd.wife)*
b. Mar.16,1805 Va.
d. Apr.12,188-

mar. May 1,1832
Bedford Co.,Va.

(See separate chart)

(7) Oney Meador
b. @1800 Va.
d. @1842 Ky.
mar. Jan.21,1817
Bedford Co.,Va.

Thomas E. Cain

Jemima Dowell (2nd.wife)

(See separate chart) (to Breckenridge Co.,Ky.)

(6) Benjamin Meador (II) was born in Amelia Co., Va. He served three times in the American Revolution: first as a paid substitute for Shadrack Holt; secondly as a substitute for his father; and thirdly as a draftee (see his application for pension, S-9405) made in 1833.

Benjamin came to Bedford Co., Va. in 1783, but as his marriage is recorded in Prince Edward Co., this probably was the home of his bride. He drew up his will on Feb.14, 1832, but it was not until May 24, 1840 that it was presented for probate (W.B. 10, p.226). In it, he named as executors his son Wilson and Francis Board, and named the above three children. It is unknown if there were others who preceeded him in death---it is doubtful if they left any heirs, who would likely have been named. He bequeathed to Wilson 130 acres, to be used for the maintenance of his widow, Polly. Benjamin lived near Goodview, Va. and is buried in an unmarked grave there. Polly died before him, in 1836.

*(8) Mary Louise Wright was the daughter of Matthew Wright and (7) Nancy Holland; Nancy was the daughter of (6) Mary Meador and Peter M. Holland. Mary was the daughter of (5) John Meador of Bedford Co.,Va.

(10) Ira Lee Meador, continued

- (12) William Ray Huntsman — Brenda Cox (see sister below)
  b. Oct.25,1944
  - (13) Brent Allen Huntsman
    b. Aug.15,1966
- (12) Edward Neal Huntsman
  b. May 15,1948
- (12) Harold Dean Huntsman — Cathy Cox (See sister above)
  b. June 14,1949
- (12) Martha Pearl Huntsman — Kenneth Morrison
  b. Apr.4,1951
- (12) Linda Huntsman
  b. Sept.21,1953 (twin)
- (12) Brenda Huntsman
  b. Sept.21,1953 (twin)
- (12) Rickie Gene Huntsman
  b. Feb.18,1956

(11) Geneva Lois Meador — Lewis Heath
b. July 7,1926
mar. June 22,1940
- (12) Patty Sue Heath
  b. May 11,1944

(11) Billy Dee Meador — (1) Beatrice Gilliam (daughter of Clara Elnice Meador of lineage of E. Giner Meador, Q.V)
b. Dec.4,1929 (twin) — b. Nov.24,1930
- (12) Jimmy D. Meador — Nancy Sledge
  b. Jan.3,1949
  - (13) Christopher Meador
    b. June 11, 1974
- (12) LaReeca Gwen Meador
  b. Oct.7,1952
- (12) Keith Meador
  b. Aug.10,1956

(11) Jennie Belle Meador — Hubert Byron McGuffy
b. Dec.4,1929 (twin)
mar. July 22,1945
- (12) Freddie Weldon McGuffy
  b. Oct.9,1953
- (12) Robbie McGuffy
  b. May 14,1960
- (12) Maxie McGuffy
  b. Aug.30,1962

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Dedication

These books are dedicated to my late, dear wife, Katherine (Vorgias) Meador, who tolerated for so many years my long hours in libraries and at the typewriter, and assisted me in my searches through countless cemeteries. For her patience and understanding that helped to make this compilation possible, my lasting gratitude.

Of course, a work of this magnitude would have been impossible without the generosity of those who have shared their researches with me. To the over one thousand relatives of all degrees who contributed their "bits," both large and small, a heartfelt "Thank you."

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Introduction

Here at last are presented the results of more than forty years of research into the Meador family. Within these three volumes are named more than 37,000 descendants of Thomas Meador and their spouses, encompassing up to sixteen generations.

Is this everyone descended from Thomas Meador? Certainly not; a complete genealogy would undoubtedly fill ten times these many pages. A casual glance at almost any page will reveal some person whose marriage (if any) is as yet unknown, or some couple whose children are not named. The possible descendants from just one person born a hundred years ago could easily be a hundred or more. So this is a never-ending task, as each new generation is born.

In a previous volume, in collaboration with co-author Bernal M. Meador, a detailed accounting was made of the immigration of our ancestor, Thomas Meads/Meador, who came from England about 1630 to Virginia, and of the ensuing four generations. This work was intended to lay the foundation for succeeding books, each to continue the lineage of the families as they scattered to Western Virginia, the Carolinas, and to all states west and south. The present volumes are such a work, and cover the descendants of four of these men: Jonas Meador, who died in Cumberland Co., Va.; Joel Meador, who died in Amelia Co., Va.; and Ambrose and Jeremiah Meador, who died in Bedford Co., Va. It is earnestly hoped that other Meador family researchers will continue to research and publish other branches of the Meador lineages.

There is no intention of reprinting here the comprehensive information given in that previous book. However, a short summary of those generations is included herein, which of necessity is incomplete. Those who do not have a copy of that first work will thus find in this set of books a complete lineage, but lacking much detail.

Also, in a previous work published in 1971, with John W. Meador as co-author, the writers attempted to present the Meador families in the vicinity of Macon Co., Tenn., including the lineage of the present author. As research has continued since that time, much additional information has been developed, and many requests have been received for a revision of that early work. Rather than re-print that old data, the choice was made to delay such up-dating until the present volumes could be completed. A complete revision and vast expansion of those early lineages will thus be found within these pages. I offer no apology now for that first book---it was a real breakthrough where nothing had been done before---but with the increasing availability of research data, coupled with the growing popularity of genealogy as a hobby,and fueled by the interest generated by that book, many Bibles

and family records have come out of hiding and a great deal has been learned. Many are now beginning to maintain family records who had never done so before. While no book on a constantly-changing population can ever be the "last word," (being out-dated the moment it comes off the press) nevertheless the present revision represents a monumental improvement over that early effort.

Such a huge undertaking is not (and could not be) the labor of a single individual. Many hundreds of correspondents over these forty-odd years have shared their research, knowledge, and family records with me. To even list their names here would be surely to omit some deserving friend. Instead, I have chosen to honor them by recording their names at the head of each page to which they made a substantial contribution. Behind each name, however, are countless others who have contributed bits and pieces---perhaps a marriage, the name of a child, a Bible record lovingly preserved, or a relationship recalled. This finished project, therefore, represents the endeavors of thousands of people, and we should be indebted to each of these caring souls who preserved a family record. I am grateful to them all.

Every rule seems to have its exceptions, so herewith I would like to pay just tribute to four researchers who paved the way for the rest of us and have passed on. The first of these was Commander Partee Crouch Jr., who before 1950 had defined much of the first four generations of the Meador family in America, and most of whose lineages have withstood the testing of years. The second was Major Perkins Nunnally, whose studies of the families in Cumberland Co., Va. provided the key to the descendants of Jonas Meador. The third was the late Miss Katherine Reynolds, who devoted several decades to research and correspondence on all branches of our family, and whose legacy can never be exceeded. Lastly, Judge Daniel B. Meador, who delineated his ancestry in Tennessee, Missouri, and Illinois with two volumes that are examples for us all. Without the vast contributions made by these "saints" of genealogy, the present work would have been impossible.

It has been the intention of the author that these volumes should contain, as accurately as possible, the lineages of the Meador families before 1850 or thereabouts. From that point, the lines given may be extended by consulting the 1850 census records, the first to name the children. Although many lines have been carried to the present, as information became available, special effort has been made to "unravel" the earlier families, which proved to be a much more difficult task. Few records of these generations exist, and tracing the female family members was especially difficult, for (with the exception of marriage record) they are seldom mentioned in official documents. Considerable effort has also been expended in checking the research of others who have delved into this era. Due to the family custom, originated by

(3) John Meador, of naming the male children with the initial "J" names, there was an astonishing proliferation of John, Joel, James, and the like. Well-meaning correspondents often seized upon some familiar "J" name and claimed that person as ancestor, when in reality there may have been a dozen to choose from. It is hoped that in these volumes the right "John" has been placed with his correct parents. For this reason, readers should be especially aware of this common trap and avoid it in trying to follow their own lineage through these pages.

Genealogy "purists" will undoubtedly proclaim these volumes as poor genealogy, for there is a limited amount of documentation herein. Of those critics, many would publish huge numbers of reproductions of original documents, such as wills, marriage licenses, deeds, and census records. The volume of such materials precludes their inclusion here. Instead, a listing of some of the thousands of references consulted over the years is given in the stories and the pages of references.

One should also be aware that any published genealogy, including this one, is not a primary source and cannot be used in a legal sense to prove a lineage. Instead, one must consult the original records for verification, and of course, any reproduction here would not be the original. These sources are indicated in the text, and of course, it is impossible for the author to know of the countless records consulted by the many correspondents.

Errors are unavoidable. Over the years, thousands of facts have been verified by checking with original sources, so that what is presented here can be as authentic as possible. Where exact data has been established, they are given; where dates and relationships are questionable, in most cases this has also been stated. Some lineages may never be completely factualized, for reliable data may not exist. In some of these cases, I have made "educated guesses" (never wild ones) and have given my reasons for doing so. One must examine carefully all the available evidence before venturing a conclusion. Two such cases in particular are called to the attention of the reader:

The first is that of (6) Isham Meador, son of (5) Joel Meador of Franklin Co., Va. Isham migrated to Tennessee and died in Macon Co. It is only through his application for a pension, due on his service in the Revolution, that a few of his children are reliably known. According to a scribbled document left by one of his grandsons, Isham had sixteen children by his two wives. I have attempted to identify the remainder through eliminating all those of proper age who have been connected to other parentages. Left behind are about fourteen "probables," and my "educated guess" that these are indeed the children of Isham will have to stand until further documentation is unearthed.

The second case is that of Joel Meador of Amelia Co., va. There can be little doubt that he was a descendant of (3) John Meador of Essex Co., Va., but the direct connection cannot be found. So I have tentatively assigned him to the 4th. generation, principally in order that his descendats may bear appropriate generation numbers to aid in their identification. But a listing of children by his first wife has defied all efforts; only his son Joel was named in his will, although he also named the four children by his second wife. The only logical conclusion that could be reached was that the other Meador men in the county were his junior, and thus could be his children. Except for the family of (4) Jason Meador (whose family is well documented and left the area) there was no other man in the county old enough to be their parent. A proposed listing of the children of Joel is offered, but as noted, can not be verified.

In order to follow the migrations of the many families through the various counties and states, several sectional maps of their movements have been prepared.

To locate one's own family in these volumes, please begin with the following pages entitled, "How to Use This Book" Once an understanding of the chart form used is obtained, tracing your lineage should be simplified by noting the ancestor named at the top of the page and consulting the index.

Lastly, one should be encouraged by this summary of the many past generations to record and extend a personal family record. The documentation of one's own family will become priceless to future generations, for it will surely contain many facts that would otherwise be lost with time. If those who have gone before us had left such a record, the immense task in assembling this genealogy would have been vastly simplified. So, for your children grandchildren, and the generations to come, preserve for them their precious heritage. Some day, those now unborn will bless your thoughtfulness.

Victor Paul Meador

I cannot leave these pages without expressing my heartfelt gratitude to Warren Kernaghan, who prepared the massive index to these volumes. Confronted with a monstrous task, his unfailing patience in acceeding to my requests for style and format, taxing his knowledge to the utmost as well as the capacity of his computer, has brought renewed faith in the virtues of kindness and understanding. Thank you, Warren----now I, too, have an index to this huge collection of families!

VPM

How to Use This Book

When I began family research over forty years ago, genealogy was not the organized "science" it has become today, so I had to devise my own system of record keeping. The method of family charting that I settled upon is somewhat different from that most widely used today, in that the entire family, with spouses and often children as well, are shown on one page. But this makes possible the visualization of an entire family at a glance, and is simple enough that it is readily understood.

Each page begins with the parent of the principal subject, so that the previous generation may be easily traced. Then the father and mother of the family are given at the top, followed by a listing of their children on double descending lines. Marriages of these children are given side-by-side and connected by a line upon which is given the date of marriage. Below each couple, their children are listed, and each succeeding generation is off-set one column to the right, so that all those of the same generation are in the same vertical column. In addition, before each person is given the number of his generation from the immigrant, (1) Thomas Meador (assigned, where possible, through the male lineage). If this is still confusing, refer to these numbers, which make possible a ready determination of father-son-grandson relationships. Please refer to the following page for a sample chart which should make this clear.

In many cases, and particularly where there is more than one spouse, the marriages have been made more readily visualized by using heavier marriage lines connecting the several marriages.

To find one's own family, begin with some familiar name, such as a grandfather or grandmother, and consult the index. There one may often find several similar names, and one should search the pages given until the correct ancestor is found. This may be determined by the spouse given, or perhaps the children listed, or even by the area in which the family lived. As noted in the introduction, one should be especially cautious to chose the correct person, as there is great duplication of names in the Meador family.

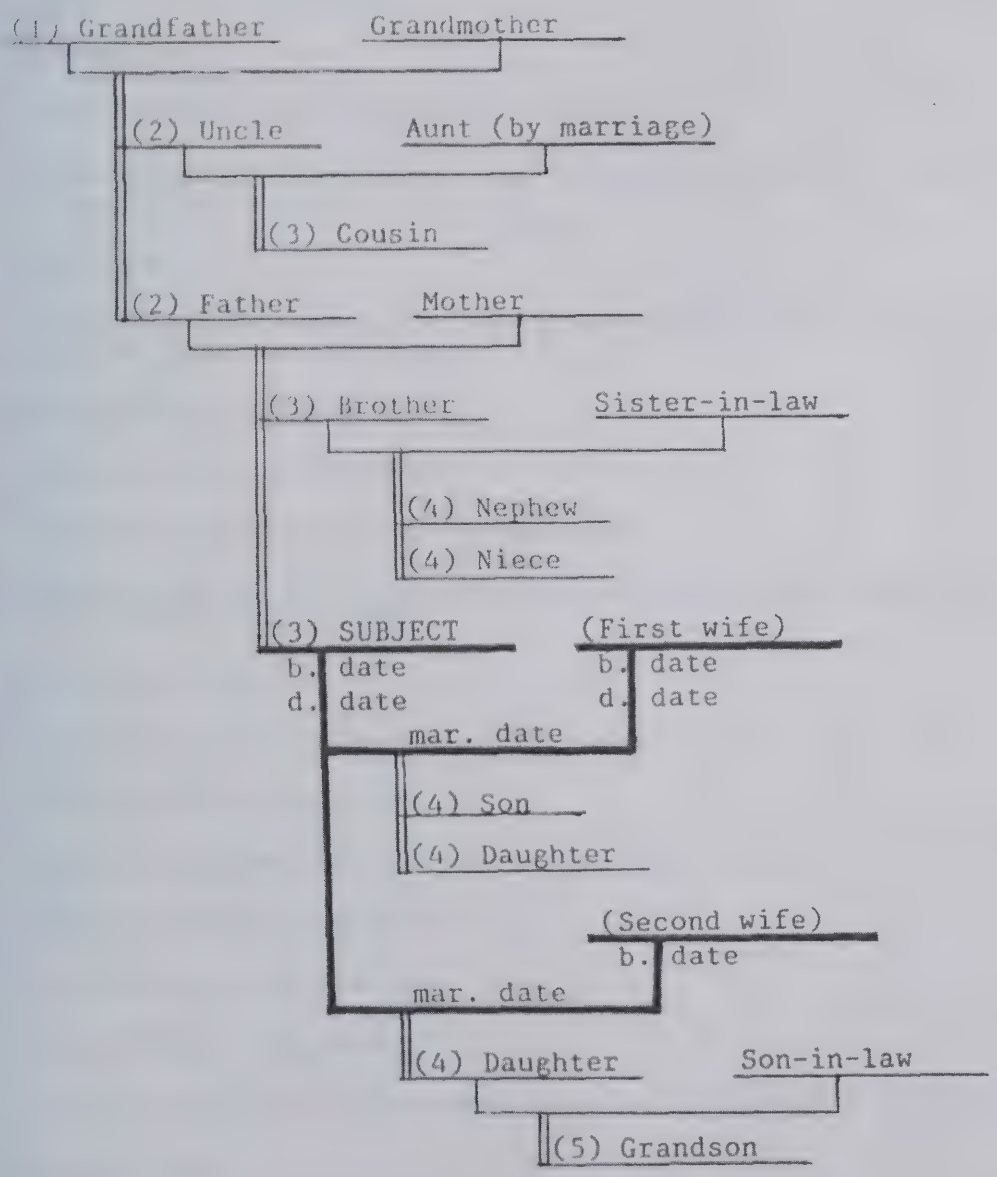
Once the correct ancestor has been located, the preceeding or following generations of that lineage may be located in the index.

These books are arranged in the following manner: First, the first four generations in America are given (in summary); then these are followed by the family of (4) Jonas Meador of Cumberland Co., Va. Each of his children are then followed as far as is known. For example, the lineage of (5) Joel Meador of Franklin Co., Va. is given, and each of his children (of the 6th. generation) is then pursued to completion. Thus, the descendants of (6) Jonas Meador would be found

in the pages following his family. However, to eliminate much page-turning, in many cases it will be quicker to consult the index for the next generation, which is denoted by "See separate chart."

Few abbreviations are used: "b." for birthdate, "d." for date of death, "mar." for marriage date. The symbol "@" is used to denote a date that has been determined from a census or other inaccurate record. Having used the system for too many years to change now, dates are given by abbreviating the month, followed by numbers for the day and year. The all-numbers systems in common use are often ambiguous and easily misunderstood.

Here is a sample family chart, showing relationships:



Meador family

The Meador family:

Note this lineage lines was sent to me by Meador family member. There is wonder reseacher by the name June Bork. She post on the net her findings. I am posting her finds with JB to let you know she the one who did this wonderful work.

First Generation

1 Father MEADES d: 1626 in England

Their children were:

1.Ambrose MEADS was born about 1580 and died on 24 Dec 1661.

2 Thomas MEADES b: 1612 in Bristol, Suffolk, England d: Bef. 06 June 1655 in Essex Co., VA m'd Sarah UNKNOWN b: 1600 in England d: Aft. 1655 in Virginia

Second Generation

1.Ambrose MEADS (father) was born about 1580 in England. He died on 24 Dec 1661 in VA. He married unknown in 1599 in England. NGN was born about 1582 in England.

Ambrose and Unknown wife children:

1. 1. Thomas the younger MEADES d: Aft. 1662

1. 2. John MEADORS b: Abt. 1633 d: Bef. 1683 m'd Jane COOMBES

2. Thomas MEADES (father)b: 1612 in Bristol, Suffolk, England d: Bef. 06 June 1655 in Essex Co., VA m'd Sarah UNKNOWN b: 1600 in England d: Aft. 1655 in Virginia

They had the following children:

2. 1. Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr. was born in 1638/1641 and died about 1662.

2. 2. John MEADES b: 1638 in Lancaster Co., VA

2. 3. Mary MEADOR was born in 1640 in VA, married Richard HOBBS.b: 1644 d: 1683

2. 4. Margaret MEADOR was born in 1642 in VA.

2. 5. Joyce MEADOR was born in 1644 in VA.

2.6 6. Anne MEADOR was born in 1646 in VA.

I found land records for Meador family in Library of Virginia.Click here if you would like look yourself.

The Library of Virginia

GRANTEE Meads, Thomas. grantee. DATE 7 September 1654. Location: County location not given. Grantee(s): Meads, Thomas, and John Phillips. Description: 1000 acres on the south side of the Freshes of Rappa: River about 16 Miles above Nanzemum Towne. Source: Land Office Patents No. 3, 1652-1655, p. 376 (Reel 2). Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

Generation No. 3

John Meadors (Ambrose Meades, Father) was born Abt. 1633 in Virginia Colony, and died Bef. 1683. He married Jane Coombes.

Children of John Meadors and Jane Coombes are:

1.Mary Meadows.

2.Thomas Meadows, born 1673; died Abt. 1717.

Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr. (Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1638/1641 in VA. He died about 1662 in VA.Thomas married Sarah HOSKINS in 1658/1659 in VA. Sarah was born about 1638 in VA. She died in 1672.Thomas MEADOR Jr. (Thomas MEADS, Ambrose MEADS, Daniel) was born in 1638/1641 in VA. He died about 1662 in VA. Thomas Meador died, Mrs. Sarah ____ Meador, the widow, married 2nd to Henry Awbrey and had son Richard Awbrey m'd Dorothy North. Thomas is cousin to John below.

Therefore John Meador and Richard Awbrey were 1/2 brothers with the same mother. Per June Bork

For more on the Aubrey family

Click here for Aubrey

They had the following children:

1. John MEADOR Sr., born 1658 in Charles Parish, Lancaster/Essex, VA; died 14 May 1721 in Essex Co., VA.

2. Thomas Meadors, born 1658-1662; died 1718 in Virginia

3. Susannah Meadows, born 1659 in Essex Co., VA; died 1717 in Essex Co., VA. She married (1) Phillip McGuire. She married (2) John Evans VA.

4. Mary MEADOR was born in 1660 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1717 in Essex Co., VA.Mary married Francis GOULDMAN about 1685 in Essex Co., VA. Francis was born about 1660 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1716 in Essex Co., VA.

5. Dorothy MEADOR was born in 1656.

Mary Meades (Thomas, Father) was born 1640-1655 in Virginia, and died 1726. She married Richard Hobbs.

Child of Mary Meades and Richard Hobbs is: 1. Anne Hobbs.

Generation No. 4

Thomas MEADOR (John3 Meadors, Ambrose2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1673. He died before 31 Jan 1717 in Will proven on this date.Thomas married Susannah REYNOLDS in 1698. Susannah was born in 1665. She died before 31 Jan 1717 in Will proven on this date. He married (2) Ann Sallis Aft. 1710.

"MARRIAGES SO SOME VIRGINIA RESIDENTS 1607-1800" by Dorothy Wulfeck

m bef 1705 Susanna Reynolds dau Cornelius, who d bef that date. Proven by deed of tht date Essex Co. He was son of John and

Elizabeth White she widow of John Gosss.THIS IS WRONG FOR THIS JOHN IS HISCCOUSIN NOT FATHER.

They had the following children:

1. John MEADOR was born in 1700/1706.

John MEADOR (Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1659 in Charles Parish, York Co., Crown Colony of Virginia. He died on 21 Nov 1721 in Essex Co., VA. John married (1) Elizabeth WHITE, daughter of þ Richard WHITE and þ Addra NMN, in Jul 1677/1678 in Essex Co., VA. Elizabeth was born in 1659 in Essex Co., VA. She died on 17 Aug 1694 in Essex Co., VA. John is cousin to Thomas above. John Meador is found in book"CAVALIERS AND PIONEER" by Nell Nugent "John Meador 50 acs Rappa. Co on S side of Rappa Riv., 21 Apr 1690 p 40 adj his own land of Mr Henry Awbrey; on the manine Sw of Hoskins Cr. and Im of John Chambers. Also mention here: Mr John Scott 748 acs Chas. City Co Bristoll Par date 1690 Imp of 15 pers John Meadowes. He married (2) Mary Awbrey? Aft. 1694, daughter of Henry Awbrey and Mary Unknown.

"MARRIAGES ~~SO~~ OF SOME VIRGINIA RESIDENTS 1607-1800" by Dorothy Wulfeck

John Sr of Essex Co m Elizabeth White dau of Richard. John made a deed 1694.

To find more on the Aubrey

Click here for Aubrey

GRANTEE Meador, John. grantee. DATE 21 April 1690. Location: [old] Rappahannock County. Description: 50 acres on the South side of Rappahannock River. Adjoining his own and Henry Awbrey's land. Source: Land Office Patents No. 8, 1689-1695, p. 40 (Reel 8). See also the following surname(s): Meadow. Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

JB: 1677/8 Feb 4 (by) - Rapp , VA - Deeds & Wills, 1677-1782, pp.156-157 - Recorded: 25 Feb 1777/8 -

Deed of Gift to John Meador & his now wife Elizabeth White, daughter of Richard White:

"Know all men by these presents that I Richard White of Rappae: County in Virginia, cooper, out of ye kindness and affection I have and beareth my sonne in law John Meador who married my daughter Elizabeth White have given and forever made over and by these presents doe give unto ye said John Meador & Elizabeth his now wife and their heirs fover all my platation I now live upon together with all my real and personall estate in ye County aforesd To have and enjoy ye same from and after ye day of death and decease of me ye sd Richard White and Mary my now wife to him ye sd John Meador first paying all such debts as I shall justly happen to owe at ye time of my death and decently burying me and my wife and during ye naturall lives of me and my now wife. I doe give my sd Sonne John free liberty to cleare and mae use of any part of my said Divident of land to plant tobacco or Corne upon and to what houses thereon he please and it is my desire that this Deed of Gift be recorded in ye County Court records of Rappae: aforesd as Witness my hand and seale this 4th day of February Ano: Dom: 1677/8 (1678) - /s/ Richard (M) White - Signed in the presence of Edmund Crask, PH: Pendleton

Richard White's land was adjoining John Gatewood (SR), Thomas Wheeler, and Richard Gregory.

Elizbeth had brother name Thomas.

1661 Sep - Old Rap. Deed Book 1:201: "The records of Old Rappahannock County told about a terrible raid that took place in September of 1661 at the plantation of Richard White which layed on the North side of Hoskins Creek in Old Rappahannock County, Virginia. Richard White's son, Thomas and two men were brutally murdered. A committee of twelve men gave an accounting of this gruesome raid"

They had the following children:

1. Richard MEADOR was born 1678-1679 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died 1716 in Essex Co., VA.

2. Thomas MEADOR was born Abt. 1680 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died Bef. 31 July 1758 in Essex Co., VA.

3. Elizabeth MEADOR was born 1682-1685 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA.

4. Rachel Meadows, born 1683 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died in Amelia Co., VA.

5. John Meadows , Jr., born 1684 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA; died 14 May 1720 in Essex Co., VA

6.Hope MEADOR was born in 1690 in Old Rappahannock, Essex Co., VA. He died before 1721 in Essex Co., VA. Note the land deed for John Meador list below state my son Hope.

7. Esther or Hester MEADOR was born in 1691 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1721. Esther married William BOURNE. William was born in 1691 in Essex Co., VA.

John also married 2nd Mrs. Aubrey MEADOR about 1694. Aubrey was born about 1665. She died before 17 Oct 1721. Mary AWBREY b: 1678 m: Aft. 1694 d: Bef. 17 October 1721 in Essex Co., VA Father: Henry AWBREY Mother: Mary UNKNOWN The link to Aubrey family is above

Children of John Meadows and Mary Awbrey? are:

1/2. Dinah MEADOR was born 1696 in Essex Co., VA; died 1742 in Tennessee.

2/2. Jonas MEADOR was born 1696-1700 in Essex Co., VA; died 22 August 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA.

3/2. Mary MEADOR was born in 1700 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1721 in Essex Co., VA.

3/2. Joshua MEADOR was born 1702 in Essex Co., VA; died 1774 in Amelia Co., VA.

4/2. Job MEADOR was born in 1704/1707 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1774 in SC.

5/2. Jason MEADOR was born 1707 in Essex Co., VA; died Aft. 30 March 1774 in Anson Co., NC. GRANTEE Meadors, Jason. grantee. DATE 12 January 1747. Location: Amelia County. Description: 244 acres on the head of Sandy Creek on both sides of the road. Source: Land Office Patents No. 28, 1746-1749 (v.1 & 2 p.1-730), p. 287 (Reel 26). Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

The Thomas in this land deed could this be Thomas JR. Found by JB

"JOHN MEADOR, 640 acres Rappahannock County: South side Rappahannock River on Beverday Southwest at the head of Hoskins' Creek, 20 April 1687, p.558. Beginning on South side of the old Beverday Southwest, near an Indian path; to a small island & etc., 450 acres granted Thomas Browning, 30 Nov 1657; assigned to John Cook, 4 May 1659; assigned to THOMAS MEDORS, 7 Aug 1659; & granted him 9 April 1664; 190 acres for transporting of 4 persons: John Chambers, JOSEPH CALLAWAY, Robert Duell, John Warrener."

"JOHN MEADOR was a politically powerful favorite of Royal Governor Berkeley and benefitted from a number of grants from the Royal government along the Rappahannock River in the 1660s. He was not a Puritan, but a Royalist. This is significant because it seems to indicate that JOSEPH CALLAWAY and the other 3 men was associated with the Royalist political faction and not the Puritans."

JB found this land deed for John Meador and children

1694 Dec 10 - Essex Co, VA - Deeds & Wills (1692-5), p.332

Know all men by these presents that I, John Meador Senior widower, in ye county of Essex in ye Parish of South Farnham, for ye love I bear to my children that I had by my wife Elizabeth [White] Meador deceased, I doe hereby give them such parsell of land that I shall set downe severall by themselves. All ye land that I have on ye West side of a branch that goeth by ye name of a great branch I do give to my son Richard Meador and my son John Meador it shall be divided as I shall see fit between them as near as I can divide it to they and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies for ever.

A parcell of land beginning at a Cole Spring by my orchard fence and running West and by north till it meets with ye great branch, so along ye great branch till it comes to ye maine swamp of ye creeke, then downe ye swamp till it comes to ye Cole Spring branch, then up ye branch where it begun, being a long neck of land, I do give to my son Thomas Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his owne body for ever.

A parcell of land beginning at my uppermost line by John Evans land by ye head of a branch at a marked White oake and running downe ye branch till it meets with ye maine swamp ye branch being crooked all ye lands that I have within my bounds of ye east side of that branch being a great deal of old fields belonging to it I doe give to my son Hope Meador and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body forever.

I doe give to my daughter Rachell Meador one hundred and five acres of land that I bought of Mr. Edwin Thacker to she and her heirs for ever. A parcell of land lying into the neck the north side of the Creek which my father in law Richard White gave to me by deed of Gift I doe by the virtue of that Deed of Gift I doe give to my daughter Elizabeth Meader ye second neck & my daughter Esther Meader the neck that has ye Housing and orchards to them and their heirs lawfully begotten of their owne bodies forever.

The land given unto my sons and daughters never to be sold nor disposed of but to ramaine from heir to heir as long as there can be one of ye Meaders found alive, if it ye Lords will to call any of my sons or daughters before me and any of them shall dye before me, ye land of ye deed to returne to me again to my disposing.

I doe reserve & except myself Timber upon any parts of ye land for my own use as long as I live as Witness my hand and seale this tenth day of December, 1694.. /s/ John Meader (Seale)..

Wit: Mary (X) Gorbell, Joseph (F) Calloway

The Meadors family has book "The Meador family"

John Meadors will can found in the book. I copy from the book

Essex County, Va. Wills, Inv Adm fo Estates No3

"In the name of God, Amen, I John Meador of Essex County being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and perfect memory, blessed by God, therefore do make and form following:

"First and principall, I commend my soul unto the hands that giveth, hoping by the meritorious death and passion of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ to receive full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and offences and a joyful resurrection in the last da: and my body decently to be buried at the direction of my excutors hereafter name. And as for my worldly good:

Item I give to my son Thomas Meador, one shilling

Item I give to my daughter Rachell Jordan, one shilling

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth Armstong, one shilling

Item I give to my daugher Dinah Tribble one shilling

Item My desire is that my five sons shal keep their own guns without appraising

Item I give to my son Jonas Meador, a small piece of land joining upon Thomas Evinses land and running up to the church that goes from my house , then up a long? road a small course till it comes to the forks of the branch fo where it begins and from the forks to ye first beginning. And the rest of my land I give to my other four sons, bo be equally divided with all my houses and orchards thereon belonging and I do appoint my two sons Job and Jason my lawful executors

Item I give to my son Joshua Meador on chest to be apprasied and the rest of my estate to be equally divided among my children and leave my two youngest sons to be age at 17. I do leave my son Jonas Meador to look after them 3 years. And my will not to be in force till my death Witness my hand and seal Oct 17,1721

John Meador seal Porbated 21 Nov 1721

Thomas Meadors (Thomas "Orphan"3 Meadows, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born 1658-1662, and died 1718 in Virginia.

Child of Thomas Meadors is: 1. Ann Meadors. She married Mister Ayres

Sixth Generation

Richard MEADOR (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1678/1681 in Essex Co., VA. He died on 15 May 1716 in Essex Co., VA and was buried in VA.Richard married Ann Pickett MOSS, daughter of John MOSS, in Jul 1698. Ann was born in abt 1678 in Essex Co., VA. She died 1716 in Essex Co., VA. Occupation: Cooper (Source: Some Early Southern Settlers by Billie Lewis, 134.)

They had the following children:

1. William MEADOR was born about 1720 and died in 1759 in Essex Co.,VA. He married Frances Bryom Bef. 1738 in Essex Co., VA

2. Adara MEADOR born 1712 in Virginia. She married Francis Hail. .

3. Richard MEADOR Jr., born 1711 in Virginia; died 1776. He married Milly Unknown.

4. Esther MEADOR born 1698-1716.

Thomas MEADOR (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1680 in Essex Co., VA. He died on 31 Jul 1758 in Essex Co., VA. Thomas married Elizabeth WOOD before 1718 in VA. Elizabeth was born in 1682 in Essex Co., VA. She died before 1758.

They had the following children:

1.Susannah Meador, born in Essex Co., VA.

2.Reuben MEADOR was born 1709 in Essex Co., VA; died Bef. 1778. Reuben married Jane NSN. Jane was born in 1734 in VA. She died in Jan 1778 in VA.

3. Thomas MEADOR born 1711-1712 in Essex Co., VA; died 1776. He married Ann Bourne.

2. Rachel MEADOR born 1713 in Essex Co., VA. She married Ambrose Armstrong 1758 in Essex Co., VA.

3. Sarah MEADOR was born 1715 in Essex Co., VA.

4. Esther MEADOR was born 1717 in Essex Co., VA.

5. John Meador , Sr., born 1718 in Virginia.

6. Ambrose Meador, born 1719-1730 in Essex Co., VA; died 28 September 1795 in Bedford Co., VA. He married Frances Hix Abt. 1755 in Virginia.

7. Francis (Mary?) MEADOR was born about 1726 in Essex Co., VA. Francis married þ William BELL about 1758 in VA. William was born about 1722 in Amelia Co., VA.

8. Elizabeth MEADOR born 1723 in Essex Co., VA; died 1770. She married (1) William Barton. She married (2) Benjamin Allen 1758 in Essex Co., VA.

Elizabeth Meadows (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born 1682-1685 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA. She married John Armstrong.

Children of Elizabeth Meadows and John Armstrong are:

1. Ambrose Armstrong. He married Rachel Meador 1758 in Essex Co., VA.

2. John Armstrong, born Aft. 1737.

Rachael MEADOR (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1686 in Essex Co., VA. She died in Amelia Co., VA. Rachael married William JORDAN. William was born in 1686 in Essex Co., VA.

They had the following children:

1. Jonas JORDAN was born in 1725 in VA. He died in 1785 in VA and was buried in VA.

John Meadows , Jr. (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)was born in 1693 in Essex Co., VA. He died on 14 May 1720 in Essex Co., VA and was buried in VA. John married Sarah GREGORY, daughter of Richard GREGORY and Katherine ARMSTRONG. Sarah was born in 1680 in VA. She died about 1720 in VA and was buried in VA.

To find the Gregory family

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They had the following children:

1. Susannah MEADOR was born about 1719 in VA.

Esther (Hester)5 Meadows (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born Aft. 1690 in Old Rappahannock Co., VA, and died Bef. 1721. She married William Bourne Bef. 1709, son of Thomas Bourne and Katherine Armstrong.

Child of Esther Meadows and William Bourne is: 1. John Bourne, born 1720; died 1747.

Dianah Esther5 Meador (John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1694 in Essex Co., VA. She died in 1741/1743 in VA.Dinah married George TRIBBLE, son of Peter TRIBBLE and <> Elizabeth NSN, in 1740 in VA. George was born in 1692 in Caroline Co., VA. He died about 1792 in Caroline Co., VA.

They had the following children:

1. George TRIBBLE Jr., born Abt. 1719 in King & Queen, VA; died 1792 in Caroline, VA.

2. Mary Tribble, born Abt. 1721.

3.Shadrach Tribble, born Abt. 1722 in Caroline, VA.

4.Dinah Tribble, born Abt. 1734.

5.Child Tribble, born Abt. 1736 Could this be Joseph?

Andrew TRIBBLE was born on 22 Mar 1741 and died on 30 Dec 1822.

Joseph TRIBBLE was born about 1725 in VA. Joseph and Andrew were the children look belong.

JB:DINAH Meador, daughter of John Meador Sr and 2/ Mary (?) Awbrey

Dinah was probably the first child of her father's second marriage, born about 1696-7 in Old Rappahannock County, Virginia and died between 1741/3 in Caroline County, Virginia. In her father's will of 1721, she was given only one shilling. Apparently this was because of her husband. Her mother, Mary (?) Awbrey was a daughter of Henry Awbrey, a wealthy merchant. Dinah was the sister of Jonas and Jason Meadors. Jason had land dealings with JEFFREY CROWLEY (sometimes shown as CRAWLEY).

Dinah married about 1720 to George Tribble of Essex, son of Peter Trible (Essex Will Bk 6:142 dated 6 Apr 1738; probated 16 Jul 1739). Peter Trible of Southfarnham Parish in Essex County owned land near the Road that led from Piscataway Ferry to the Ferry over Hoskins Creek. The John Burnett (I) family lived on Piscataway Creek and the John Gatewood family lived on Hoskins Creek with a ferry going between the two. John Burnett II married Amee Gatewood. The Meadors were friends and neighbors of the two families. George and Dinah was found living in Spotsylvania County, Virginia by 2 October 1722 when he witnessed a deed for Larkin Chew. One month later, George purchased 228 acres from Larkin Chew in Spotsylvania County, although George had bought property in King and Queen County, he was still in Spots. County where he witnessed several more deeds for Larkin Chew. Finally by 1725, he and Dinah were living in King and Queen County when he sold the Nov 1722 land he purchased from Chew and then followed other family members to Caroline County by November of the following year. At this time, "George Tribble was fined in court for not keeping his road in repair." Since Dinah's brother Jonas Meador was appointed to take over in George's place, Jonas and brother Jason were probably living in the same neighborhood. George and Dinah Trible appear together as witnesses to the will of Abraham Brown On 14 Sep 1735 (Caroline Court Order Bk 1732-1740, p.275).

Dinah died there between 1741 and 1744 as on the latter date, George Trible was married to Ann (last name illegible). Fearful that George would embezzle the estate of Ann's late husband, two of the administrators demanded extra security from George and Anne Trible (Caroline Court Order Bk 1740-1746, p.306 dated 11 Aug 1744).

There were several children of this marriage, including:

1) George Tribble II

2) Joseph Tribble

3) Dinah Tribble

4) Rev. Andrew Trible (Tribble) was born 1741 in Caroline Co, Va; married Sally Ann Burris. An "Old Ironsides" Baptist minister, he was a Chaplain in the Virginia Line during the Revolution. He died in 1822 in Clark County, Kentucky. His descendants are well documented by the Kentucky Historical Society (Register of the Kentucky Historical Soc, Vol 24:187).

1733 Nov 8 - Caroline Co, Va Order Bk 1732-1740, page 108 (Part One by Dorman)~ A Grand Jury being impanelled and presented their presentments: George Tribble for not keeping his road in Repair. Note I wish the same could be done today.

1734 Feb 14 - Caroline Co, VA Court Order Bk 1732-1740 - p.123 Jonas Meador appointed Surveyor of Roads in place of George Trible..

1735 Feb 14- Caroline Co, Va Order Bk 1732-1740, page 275; (Part 1 by Dorman) ~ The last will and testament of Abraham Brown was presented in Court by Mary Brown, executrix and Daniel Brown executor therein named and proved by George Trible and Dinah Trible witnesses there unto. On motion of the executor certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate. It is ordered that James Terrill, William Terrill, James Collins and William Brown appraise the estate of Abraham Brown.

1739 Mar 9 - Caroline Co, VA Court Order Bk 1732-1740 - p.524 Jonas Meador paid for clearing a road from the Mattapony River across Polecat Swamp to the Chesterfield Church (Jonas probably lived in the above vicinity, south of the Mattapony River).

1743 Nov 11 - Caroline Co, VA Court Order Bk 1740-1746 - p.237 Jonas and his brother Jason were indicted by the Caroline County Grand Jury for not attending St. Margaret's, the local Anglican parish church, for which offense fines of 5 shillings or 50 pounds of tobacco were levied

1743 Dec 10 - Caroline Co, VA Court Order Bk 1740-1746 - p.245 Jonas & Jason stated they were Quakers and the charges were dismissed.

1744 Aug 11 - Caroline Co, Va Order Bk 1742/3-1744, page306 (part 2 by Dorman)~ On the motion of Edward Herndon and James Terrill that they became security for _____ for her _____ of the last will and testament of _____, that the said Ann is since intermarried with George Trible who Hearndon and Terrill are apprehensive is likely to embezzel the estate, and praying relief, it is ordered that George Trible and Ann his wife give Herndon and Terrill counter Security or deliver to them the estate.

1744 Nov 10 - Caroline Co, Va Order Bk 1742/3-1744, page325; (part 2 by Dorman)~ Petition: Edward Herndon and James

Terrell, against George Trible and Ann his wife, Dismissed.

1747 Jun 8 - Caroline Co, VA Court Order Bk 1746-1754 - p.___ On a similar charge Joel, son of Jonas, stated he was a Quaker and was also discharged.

1752 Jul 9 - Caroline Co, Va Order Bk 1746-1754, page 321; (part 3 by Dorman)~ Suit on Attachment: Peter Copeland, Gent against the estate of George Tribble. The plaintiff proving his accounts, judgement is granted him for 5.2.1. The sheriff made return and executed the attachment in the hands of John Dyer Junr, John Sutton, and George Trible Junr. John Dyer Jr. declared he has: a spice mortar,a stone mug,bottle mouth mug, 5 glass bottles,2 drawing knives,a cooper's ax,adz,a cutting knife,a bung corer, round shave,a carpenter's adzone earthen plate,a ladle,flesh fork.

George Trible Junr, declared he has:joiner's tools,cooper's tools,a parcel of tubs,2 bed steads,2 tables,3 old rap hooks,one hide,1 basket,some lasts,8 old chairs,2 trays,a pail,3 old boxes,one bear stand,one pair old cards,2 saws, which they are ordered to deliver to sheriff to sell.

1 Joshua/Joel5 Meadows (John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)b 1702 in Essex Co., VA.;d 1774 in Amelia Co., VA M'd Judith GREEN b: 1713 m: 1737 in Cumberland Co., VA d: Bef. 1768 in Amelia Co., VA He married (2) Agnes Seay Bef. 1768 in Amelia Co., VA.

Joshua and Judith Children

1. Elizabeth MEADOWS

2. Benjamin MEADOWS b 1736 in Cumberland Co., VA. d Bef. 28 December 1797 in Amelia Co., VA

3 Joel MEADOWS, Jr. b 1738 in Amelia Co., VA.,d 16 June 1806 in Pr. Edward Co., VA m'd Mary FITZGERALD d Aft. 1806

4. James MEADOR b 1738 in Amelia Co., VA.d 1804 in South Carolina m'd Abt. 1774 in Amelia Co., VA Susannah JORDAN b 1737 d 1826 in South Carolina

5. Mary Ann MEADOWS b 1740 in Amelia Co., VA

6. Henry MEADOWS b 1743 in Amelia Co., VA.d Bef. 1800 in Amelia Co., VA

7. Jeremiah MEADOWS b 1750 in Amelia Co., VA. d 28 September 1806 in Pr. Edward Co., VA

8. Isaac MEADOR b: 1755 in Amelia Co., VA d: Bef. 1818 in Amelia Co., VA

2nd Wife of Joshua/Joel Meadows: Agnes SEAY b: Abt. 1713 in Amelia Co., VA m: Bef. 1768 in Amelia Co., VA d: 1818 in Amelia Co., VA

2/1 Archibald Archer MEADOWS

2/2 Anderson MEADOWS

2/3 Martha "Patty" MEADOWS

2/4 Nancy MEADOWS

Jason Meador (John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)was born in 1704/1707 in Essex Co., VA. He died in Jun 1776 in Anson Co., NC. Jason married Elizabeth STONE, daughter of þ William I STONE and <> Ann NSN, in 1730/1731 in Essex Co., VA. Elizabeth was born about 1711 in Anson Co., NC. She died on 18 Feb 1778 in Anson Co., NC.

They had the following children:

1. Mariah6 Meadows. She married Abraham Rushing.

2. Zilphia Meadows. She married Thomas Huntley.

3. Lewis MEADOR was born in 1732 and died in 1803 NC.

4. Jason MEADOR Jr. born Abt. 1734 in Essex Co., VA; died 1822 in Chesterfield Co., SC. He married Sarah Moberly Bef. 1752

5. Jobe MEADOR was born in 1736 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1839 in NC and was buried in NC. Jobe married Elizabeth MOBERLY, daughter of Edward MOBERLY and þ Susannah DERUEL. Elizabeth was born in 1745 in VA.

6. Thomas MEADOR Sr. born 1736-1739 in Raleigh Parrish, Essex Co., VA; died 1818 in Jelico Creek, Whitely Co., KY. He married Kesiah Moberly 1760 in South Carolina.

7. Drucilla Meadows, born 20 November 1738 in Virginia; died in South Carolina. She married Edward Moberly , Jr. Bef. 1758.

8. Sarah Mariah MEADOR was born in 1743 in Essex Co., VA. Sarah married Abraham RUSHING. Abraham was born in 1739 in Anson Co., NC.

*Jonas MEADOR (John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1698/1700 in Old Rappahannock, Essex Co., VA. He died on 5 May 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA and was buried in VA.Jonas married (1) Frances HUDGENS in 1728 in Essex City, Essex Co., VA. Frances died on 17 Oct 1774 in Cumberland Co., VA. Religion: Quaker, Baptist

They had the following children:

*1. Joel Meador, born 1725 in [Caroline] Co., VA; died 30 November 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. He married Susannah Clark Bef. 25 November 1750 in Bedford Co., VA

2. Jonas B. MEADOR was born Abt. 1728 in Virginia; died 1773 in Cumberland Co., VA. He married Mary Holloway

3. Mary Meador, born Abt. 1728 in Virginia. She married James Holland.

4. Frances MEADOR was born in 1730 in Caroline Co., VA. She died in 1800 in Washington Co., NC.Frances married 1st William HOLLOWAY, son of John HOLLOWAY and Hannah SPIERS. William was born in 1730 in VA. He died in 1800/1810 in Washington Co., NC.and married 2nd James HOLLOWAY, son of John HOLLOWAY and Hannah SPIERS. James was born about 1725 in Essex Co., VA.

5. John M Meador, born 14 July 1734 in Virginia; died 1824. He married Jane Holloway

6. Josiah MEADOR Sr., born 1736 in Botetourt Co., VA; died December 1792 in Starkey, Roanoke Co., VA. He married Lavinia Moody 1757-1758 in Virginia,Christen: 12 March 1730/31, Prince George, VA

7. Jehu MEADOR born Abt. 1738 in Caroline Co., VA; died 1808 in Cumberland Co., VA. He married Sarah Adkinson

8. Joab MEADOR was born in 1743 and died in 1818.

9. Jesse MEADOR was born Abt. 1745 in Virginia; died 1812. He married Martha Jones.

10. Israel MEADOR.

Jonas also married (2) Frances ANDERSON about 1720 in Cumberland Co., VA. Frances was born in 1702 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 17 Oct 1774 in Cumberland Co., VA and was buried in VA.

Dorothy AWBREY (Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr.,Thomas2 Meades, Father1) .Dorothy married John WRIGHT, son of Major Francis WRIGHT and þ Anne WASHINGTON.

They had the following children:

1. Francis WRIGHT was born about 1709. He died on 27 Sep 1742. Francis married Ann MASSEY. Note I wonder if this Ann could be my Ann Maysey.

2.John WRIGHT II was born about 1710/1712 and died in Feb 1792.

Seventh Generation

William MEADOR (Richard MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1720 in VA. He died in 1759 in Essex Co., VA.William married <> Frances PHITZSIMMONS. Frances was born about 1724 in VA. She died in 1770 in Essex Co., VA.

They had the following children:

1. Jeremiah MEADOR was born about 1746 in VA. He died on 27 Jan 1817 in Bedford Co., VA.Jeremiah married <> Rachel NSN. Rachel was born about 1756 in Bedford Co., VA.

Adara MEADOR (Richard MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1712. She died after 1716.Adara married Francis HALE, son of John HALE and Mary FULLERTON. Francis was born about 1704 in VA. He died before 1780 in Bedford Co., VA. They had the following children:

1.Stephen HALE was born about 1745 and died about 1815; 2.Elizabeth HALE; 3.Mourning HALE; 4.Ruth HALE; 5.Richard HALE was born in 1733 and died before 28 Jun 1784.

Richard MEADOR (Richard MEADOR,John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1710/1715.Richard married Milly ? . Milly was born about 1714.They had the following children:Richard MEADOR was born about 1736.

Thomas MEADOR (Thomas Meadows, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1714 in Essex Co., VA.Thomas married Ann BOURNE. Ann was born about 1723 in VA.They had the following children: 1. Thomas MEADOR was born about 1745 in VA and Francis MEADOR Sr. was born in 1738 and died in 1818.

Rachel MEADOR (Thomas Meadows, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1720 in Essex Co., VA. Rachel married Ambrose ARMSTRONG, son of John ARMSTRONG and Elizabeth MEADOR, `. Ambrose was born in Nov 1718 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1768 in VA and was buried in VA. They had the following children: Rachel ARMSTRONG was born about 1744 in VA. and Thomas ARMSTRONG was born about 1746 in VA.

Ambrose MEADOR (Thomas Meadows, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)) was born in 1732 in Essex Co., VA. He died about Sep 1795 in Essex Co., VA.Ambrose married Francis HIX about 1755 in VA. Francis was born in 1730 in VA. She died in Sep 1795 in Bedford Co., VA.They had the following children:1. Thomas MEADOR was born about 1756 in Bedford Co., VA. He died about 1760 in Breckinridge Co., KY.;2. Francis MEADOR was born in 1756. 3.Thomas MEADOR was born about 1758 and died about 1823; 4.William MEADOR was born about 1758 in Breckinridge Co., KY.;5. Drucilla MEADOR was born about 1760 and died about 1799;6. William MEADOR was born about 1762; and 7.Frankey MEADOR "Fanny" was born about 1768 in Breckinridge Co., KY.

Elizabeth MEADOR (Thomas Meadows, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1730/1740 in Essex Co., VA. She died about 1770 in Essex Co., VA and was buried in VA.Elizabeth married 1st William BARTON. William was born about 1726.They had the following children:1.Vincent BARTON was born about 1752;2.John BARTON was born about 1754.and 3.Thomas BARTON was born about 1756. He died in 1809.Elizabeth also married 2nd Benjamin ALLEN about 1755 in VA. Benjamin was born about 1714 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1765 in VA.

Ambrose ARMSTRONG (Elizabeth MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in Nov 1718 in Essex Co., VA. He died in 1768 in VA and was buried in VA.Ambrose married Rachel MEADOR, daughter of Thomas MEADOR and Elizabeth WOOD, `. Rachel was born about 1720 in Essex Co., VA.

Andrew TRIBBLE (Dinah MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 22 Mar 1741 in Orange Co., VA. He died on 30 Dec 1822 in Clark Co., KY and was buried in Richmond, Madison Co., KY. Andrew married

Sarah BURRUS, daughter of Thomas BURRUS and Frances TANDY, on 22 Mar 1768 in Orange Co., VA. Sarah was born on 13 Sep 1753 in Orange Co., VA. She died on 15 Dec 1830 in KY.They had the following children:1.Francis T. TRIBBLE was born on 3 Nov 1769 in Orange Co., VA. She died on 13 Sep 1814.Francis married <> Michael STONER. Michael was born about 1765 in Orange Co., VA; 2.Samuel TRIBBLE was born on 31 Dec 1771 and died on 3 Sep 1814; 3.Lettie TRIBBLE was born about 1773 in Orange Co., VA.Lettie married Mr.HIGGINS. NGN was born about 1769 in Orange Co., VA.;4.Peter Burris TRIBBLE was born on 8 Mar 1774 and died on 17 Mar 1859; 5.Thomas TRIBBLE was born on 13 Jun 1776 in Orange Co., VA.Thomas married May PHELPS. May was born about 1780 in Orange Co., VA.;6.Nancy TRIBBLE was born on 6 Nov 1778 in Orange Co., VA. Nancy married David CHENAULT on 3 Oct 1794. David was born about 1774.;7.Sarah TRIBBLE was born on 9 Feb 1781 in Orange Co., VA. She died in Feb 1810. Sarah married David CREWS on 17 Mar 1799. David was born about 1777 in Orange Co., VA.;8.Silas TRIBBLE was born in Jun 1783 in Orange Co., VA. He died on 8 Nov 1842.Silas married Jerusha WHITE on 30 Oct 1809. Jerusha was born about 1787 in Orange Co., VA.;9.Andrew TRIBBLE was born on 2 Dec 1785 and died in Dec 1869.;10.Mary TRIBBLE was born on 29 Mar 1788 in Orange Co., VA. Mary married Joseph STEPHENSON on 23 Dec 1828. Joseph was born about 1784 in Orange Co., VA.;11.Betty TRIBBLE was born about 1792 in Orange Co., VA. Betty married Mr COFER. Mr Cofer was born about 1788 in Orange Co., VA.;12.Patty TRIBBLE was born on 7 Mar 1794 in Orange Co., VA. Patty married Jacob WHITE on 5 Oct 1812. Jacob was born about 1790 in Orange Co., VA.;13.Dudley TRIBBLE was born on 1 May 1797 in Orange Co., VA. He died on 1 Jun 1877.Dudley married Matilda Ann TEVIS, daughter of Robert TEVIS and <> Polly PRICE, on 31 Jan 1819. Matilda was born in 1805 in Madison Co., KY. She died in 1861.

Lewis MEADOR (Jason MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1732 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1803/1804 in NC. Lewis married Susannah MOBERLY, daughter of Edward MOBERLY and þ Susannah DERUEL. Susannah was born about 1740 in VA. She died on 14 Jun 1769 in NC and was buried in NC.They had the following children:1.Mordecai J. MEADOR was born in 1784.

Jason MEADOR Jr. (Jason MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1733 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1822 in Fairfield Co., SC.Jason married Sarah MOBERLY "Sallie", daughter of Edward MOBERLY and þ Susannah DERUEL, before 1752 in Lunenberg Co., VA. Sallie was born about 1745 in VA.They had the following children:1.William MEADOR was born about 1762.;2.Obediah MEADOR was born about 1773 in SC. He died on 16 Nov 1856 in MS.Obediah married unknown;3.Thomas MEADOR;4.Edward MEADOR;5.John MEADOR was born about 1762;6.Jason MEADOR was born about 1759.Jason married Sophia LOWRY about 1777.

Thomas MEADOR Sr. (Jason MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1736 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1818 in Whitley Co., KY.Thomas married Keziah (Hezakiah) MOBERLY, daughter of Edward MOBERLY and þ Susannah DERUEL, about 1760. Keziah was born in 1747 in NC. She died about 1826 in Whitley Co., KY and was buried in Probably Whitley Co., KY. They had the following children:1.Isham MEADOR was born in 1775 and died in 1828; 2.William MEADOR was born about 1760 in Anson Co., NC.;3.Thomas MEADOR Jr. was born in 1771 and died on 28 Nov 1818;4.Pleasant MEADOR was born in 1777 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1843/1850;5.Edward MEADOR was born in 1784/1785 in Anson Co., NC. He died in 1839 in Wayne Co., KY.Edward married Abigail THOMAS. Abigail was born in 1788 in Anson Co., NC.;6.Dorcas MEADOR was born in 1786 in Anson Co., NC. She died in 1858 in Wayne Co., KY.Dorcas married Wiley W. WORLEY. Wiley was born in 1777 in Probably Cheraws Co., SC.;7.Sarah MEADOR was born in 1788 in Anson Co., NC.;8.John MEADOR was born about 1762 and died after 1840; 9.Jason MEADOR was born about 1764 in Carolinas. He died after 1833; 10.Isaiah MEADOR was born about 1779 in Probably Cheraws Co., SC. He died in Feb 1826 in Whitley Co., KY.Isaiah married Obedience ? . Obedience was born in 1783 in Probably, Cheraws Co., SC.; 11.Middleton MEADOR was born on 24 Sep 1790 in Probably Cheraws Co., SC. He died after 1843.

Drucilla MEADOR (Jason MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 20 Nov 1738 in Fairfield Co., SC. She died on 7 Oct 1781 in Fairfield Co., SC and was buried in NC.Drucilla married Edward MOBERLY, son of Edward MOBERLY and þ Susannah DERUEL, before 1756. Edward was born on 25 Dec 1735 in Lunburg Co., VA. He died on 17 Oct 1781 in Fairfield Co., SC and was buried in NC.

They had the following children:1.Elizabeth MOBERLY was born on 29 Oct 1756 in Fairfield Co., SC.Elizabeth married Henry ROGERS. Henry was born in 1752 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 2.William MOBERLY was born on 3 Sep 1758 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 3.Edward MOBERLY was born on 15 Mar 1762 in Fairfield Co., SC. He died on 17 Oct 1781.Edward married Amey HILL. Amey was born in 1766 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 4. Susannah MOBERLY was born on 11 Apr 1764 in Fairfield Co., SC. She died on 14 Jun 1768.Susannah married Alexander ROBINSON. Alexander was born in 1760 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 5.Levi MOBERLY was born on 25 Nov 1766 in Fairfield Co., SC.Levi married Rachel RABB. Rachel was born in 1770 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 6.Ruthea MOBERLY was born on 25 Feb 1769 in Fairfield Co., SC. She died on 9 Oct 1781; 7.Reuben MOBERLY was born on 17 Apr 1772.Reuben married Sarah COLEMAN. Sarah was born in 1776 in Fairfield Co., SC.; 8.Lavinia MOBERLY was born on 16 Jan 1775 and died on 1 Nov 1839.9.Sarah MOBERLY was born on 13 May 1777 in Fairfield Co., SC. She died on 10 Oct 1781.

Zilpha MEADOR (Jason MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1744 in Anson Co.,

NC. She died in 1812 in NC and was buried in NC.Zilpha married <> Thomas HUNTLEY about 1755 in Bedford Co., VA. Thomas was born about 1730 in Bedford Co., VA. He died in 1802 in Anson Co., NC and was buried in NC. They had the following children:1.Susanna HUNTLEY was born about 1753 in Anson Co., NC.; 2.Thomas HUNTLEY Jr. was born about 1756 in Anson Co., NC.; 3.Robert HUNTLEY Sr. was born in 1761 in Anson Co., NC. He died on 11 Jan 1854.;4.Zilpha HUNTLEY was born about 1767 and died in 1856.;5.Lavina HUNTLEY "Vinney" was born in 1770 in Anson Co., NC.;6.Isaac Stephen HUNTLEY was born in 1771 in Anson Co., NC.;7.Sabra Sarah HUNTLEY was born in 1773 in Anson Co., NC.;8.Nancy HUNTLEY was born in 1780 in Anson Co., NC.;9.Chloe HUNTLEY was born in 1782 in Bedford Co., VA.

Jonas B. MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1728 in Essex Co., VA. He died on 1 Oct 1773 in Cumberland Co., VA and was buried in VA.Jonas married Mary HOLLOWAY, daughter of John HOLLOWAY and Hannah SPIERS, about 1750 in VA. Mary was born about 1728 in VA. She died in Oct 1767 in Cumberland Co., VA.

They had the following children: 1.Sarah MEADOR was born about 1752.; 2.Anne MEADOR was born about 1752 in Cumberland Co., VA.; 3.John MEADOR was born about 1754 in Cumberland Co., VA.;4.Phoebe MEADOR was born in 1754 and died on 14 May 1840.;5.NGN MEADOR was born about 1758 in VA.;6.Jane MEADOR was born about 1758 in Cumberland Co., VA.;7.Nancy MEADOR was born about 1760 in Cumberland Co., VA.; 8.Mary MEADOR was born about 1760 in Cumberland Co., VA.; 9.John MEADOR was born about 1762.;10.Phebe MEADOR was born about 1762 in Cumberland Co., VA.;11.Nancy MEADOR was born about 1764 in VA.

John B. MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 14 Jul 1734 in Caroline Co., VA. He died Dec/Jan 1825/6 in Bedford Co., VA.John married Jane HOLLOWAY, daughter of <> John HOLLOWAY and Hannah SPIERS, about 1755 in VA. Jane was born on 4 Feb 1732/1733. She died before 1824. They had the following children:1.Joel MEADOR was born on 15 Jun 1756 in Caroline Co., VA. He died after 1824.;2.Mary MEADOR was born on 5 Jul 1757 and died after 1824.;3.Sarah MEADOR was born on 6 Feb 1759 in Caroline Co., VA. She died after 1824 in VA and was buried after 1824 in VA.;4.John MEADOR was born on 17 Oct 1760 in Caroline Co., VA.;5.Jonas MEADOR was born on 6 Dec 1762 in Bedford Co., VA. He died before 1824 in VA.;6.Jehu MEADOR was born on 18 Nov 1764 in Bedford Co., VA. He died in 1805 in Breckenridge Co., KY.;7.Ira MEADOR was born on 25 Sep 1769 and died after 1824.;8.Rosanna MEADOR was born on 23 Nov 1771 and died on 26 Jan 1852.;9.Martha MEADOR "Pattie" was born on 25 May 1777 in Bedford Co., VA. She died after 1824 in VA.;10.Frances MEADOR was born on 19 Jan 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died after 1824.Frances married <> James BELL on 31 Jan 1798 in Franklin Co., VA.

Josiah MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1736 in Botetourt Co., VA. He died on 4 Mar 1833 in Giles Co., VA.Josiah married Lavina MOODY in 1755 in VA. Lavina was born on 29 Jan 1730/1731 in Caroline Co., VA. She died after Aug 1798 in VA and was buried in VA.They had the following children:1.Josiah MEADOR II was born on 8 Feb 1758 and died on 4 Mar 1833.;2.Sarah MEADOR was born 1760s in VA. Sarah married Clayton DRAKE on 25 Jul 1791 in Bedford Co., VA.;3.Arria MEADOR was born about 1760 and died in 1826.;4.Jacob MEADOR was born about 1763 in VA. He died about 1840.Jacob married Mary OVINGTON "Polly" on 5 Jun 1795 in Botetourt Co., VA.;5.Obadiah MEADOR was born about 1767 and died on 13 Jan 1826.;6.John MEADOR was born about 1773.John married Elizabeth ?.;7.Edith MEADOR was born on 12 May 1775 and died on 26 Dec 1860.;8.Rosannah MEADOR was born about 1775/1778 and died on 25 Jan 1851.

Jehu MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1738 in Caroline Co., VA. He died in 1808 in Cumberland Co., VA and was buried in VA.Jehu married Sarah ATKINSON, daughter of Samuel ATKINSON and Mary Ann. Sarah was born about 1736 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died before 1808 in Cumberland Co., VA.

They had the following children: 1.Frances MEADOR was born in 1762 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died before 1816 in Cumberland Co., VA.Frances married William Ford MANN Jr. on 24 Aug 1809. William was born about 1758 in Cumberland Co., VA.; 2.Martha MEADOR "Patty" was born in 1764 in Cumberland Co., VA.Patty married Richard ANDERSON, son of James ANDERSON and Margaret TROYS, on 2 Dec 1784 in Cumberland Co., VA. Richard was born in 1764 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in Aug 1813.; 3.Anne MEADOR was born about 1765 in Cumberland Co., VA.Anne married Edward ROBINSON JR. about 1784/1796 in VA.; 4.Sarah MEADOR was born in 1772 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died in 1829 in Cumberland Co., VA.Sarah married Valentine BOATWRIGHT on 27 Dec 1792. Valentine was born about 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died about 1849.;5.Jehu MEADOR was born on 23 May 1772 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died on 19 Feb 1820 in Cumberland Co., VA.Jehu married Drucilla BOATWRIGHT. Drucilla was born about 1776 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died on 8 Dec 1843.; 6.Joseph MEADOR was born on 23 Feb 1775 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died on 8 Mar 1832 in TN.Joseph married Charlotte on 10 Dec 1795 in Cumberland Co., VA. Charlotte was born on 30 Oct 1767 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died on 30 Aug 1845.; 7.Jonas MEADOR was born before 1780 and died before 1808.

*Joel MEADOR (Jonas Meador,John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1729 in Cumberland

Co., VA. He died in 1798 in Franklin Co., VA.Joel married (1) Susannah CLARK, daughter of George CLARK and Elizabeth , on 25 Nov 1750 in Franklin Co., VA. Susannah was born in 1730 in Essex Co., VA. She died on 11 Feb 1818 in Franklin Co., VA. Joel also married (2)Mrs. Agnes MEADOR Ø. Agnes was born about 1742 in VA.

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Will of SUSANNA MEADOR - written: 20 Jan 1818 - Franklin Co, VAproved: 2 Feb 1818

I, SUSANNA MEADOR of Franklin County do hereby make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

I give to MY SONS JAMES MEADOR and JOSEPH MEADOR that is to say (Negroes): TOBY, STEPHEN, FAN & her 2 children (FAG) and JOHN to be divided between them as they think proper and in consideration of this legacy they are to give to each of THEIR SISTERS, that is to say $50 each: FRANCIS SIMMONS, ANNEY SIMMONS, SUSANNA MARTIN, RHODA BLANKENSHIP, MILLY CLIBORN to be paid each of them as soon as their circumstances will admit and $1 to the HEIRS of JESSE MEADOR - $1 to the HEIRS of JOHN MEADOR, JONAS MEADOR, JOEL MEADOR, ISHAM MEADOR and JOB MEADOR $1; $1 to the heirs of MARY HURD, to each of them, their heirs or assigns and the balance of my property to be equally divided between JAMES MEADOR, JOSEPH MEADOR and FRANCES SIMMONS to each of them their heirs Executors or assigns forever.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my 2 sons JAMES & JOSEPH MEADOR executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills or Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of Jan 1818..

/s/ SUSANNA (x) MEADOR.. Wit: JOHN FARMER, FRANCIS G. HARWOOD

1818 Feb 2 - At a Court held for Franklin County the last will and Testament of SUSANNA MEADOR, deceased was produced in Court by JAMES MEADOR, one of the Executors herein named and proved by the oath of FRANCIS G. HARWOOD & JOHN FARMER and ordered to be recorded. JAMES MEADOR took the oath together with JAMES FARMER & MOSES GREER JR, his securities and entered into Bond in penalty of $3,000.. Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate.. Liberty is reserved to JOSEPH MEADOR the other Executor in said Will named to join in the Probate when he shall think fit.

GRANTEE Meador, Joel. grantee. DATE 30 August 1763.Location: Bedford County. Description: 403 acres on the south side of Stanton River. Source: Land Office Patents No. 35, 1762-1764 (v.1 & 2 p.1-556), p. 378 (Reel 35). See also the following surname(s): Meadow. Part of the index to the recorded copies of patents for land issued by the Secretary of the Colony serving as the colonial Land Office. The collection is housed in the Archives at the Library of Virginia.

They had the following children:

1. Jesse MEADOR was born in 1750 and died on 5 Nov 1821.

2. John Watts MEADOR was born in 1751/1758 and died before Mar 1809.

3. *Mary (Susannah)MEADOR was born in 1751/1758 and died before 1818.m John Heard. The Heard family has here as Susannah. The Meador family has her as Mary. What do know she is one of Joel children.

4. Jonas MEADOR was born on 3 Feb 1758 and died in 1839.

5. Joel MEADOR was born on 8 Mar 1760 and died on 18 Apr 1834.

6. Frances MEADOR was born in 1760/1765 and died in 1820/1827.

7. Isham MEADOR was born on 20 Mar 1762 and died on 25 Nov 1840.

8. Jobe MEADOR was born in 1764 and died in 1832/1840.

9. Susanna(Mary) MEADOR was born about 1764 in Bedford Co., VA. Susanna married William MARTIN on 8 Dec 1782 in

Franklin Co., VA. William was born in 1755/1760 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1832 in Floyd Co., KY.

10. Anna MEADOR was born on 2 Mar 1768 and died on 16 Oct 1823.

11. Joseph MEADOR was born in 1772 and died in Oct 1832.

12. James MEADOR was born in 1774 and died on 11 Sep 1854.

13. Rhoda MEADOR was born on 10 Mar 1775 and died on 4 May 1862.

14. Emily MEADOR was born in 1776 and died in 1850/1860.

Mary MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1740/1745 in Caroline Co., VA. She died in 1783 in Cumberland Co., VA. Mary married (1) James HOLLAND, son of James HOLLAND and Jane BOND, about 1760 in VA. James was born about 1740 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in 1783 in Cumberland Co., VA.They had the following children: 1.Jonas Meador HOLLAND was born about 1756 in Cumberland Co., VA.; 2.Mary HOLLAND was born about 1758 in Cumberland Co., VA.Mary married þ Jesse ANDERSON.;3.Ann HOLLAND was born in 1760/1766 and died after 1820.

Mary also married 2nd Peter HOLLAND. Peter was born in 1740 in Caroline Co., VA.

Joab MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1743 in Caroline Co., VA. He died in 1818 in Pittsylvania Co., VA.Joab married Sarah ?. Sarah was born about 1745 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died after 1818 in Pitsylvania Co., VA.

They had the following children: 1.Jonas M. MEADOR was born in 1767 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died before 1836 in Henderson Co., TN. Jonas married 1st Lucy ECHOLS. Lucy was born about 1771. She died about 1830. Jonas also married 2nd Nancy COLLINS about 1830 in TN.;2.Lidia MEADOR was born in 1769 in Cumberland Co., VA. She died after 1840. Lidia married Benjamin DAVIS on 31 Jan 1800 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Benjamin died before Jul 1832.; 3.Samuel B. MEADOR was born in 1771 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. He died on 15 May 1854 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Samuel married Nancy MART on 29 Sep 1810 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Nancy was born about 1790.; 4.Frances MEADOR was born in 1773.;5.Sarah MEADOR was born in 1775 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. She died in 1849 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Sarah married Thomas DAVIS on 8 Jul 1797 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Thomas was born 1770s. He died in Feb 1845.;6.Nancy MEADOR was born in 1780 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. She died in 1813/1815 in Pittsylvania Co., VA. Nancy married <> Samuel FLIPPEN on 21 Jan 1813.

Jesse MEADOR (Jonas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1745 in Essex Co., VA. He died on 28 Sep 1812 in Cumberland Co., VA.Jesse married þ Martha JOHNS in 1768 in VA. Martha was born in 1753 in VA. She died in 1832 in Cumberland Co., VA and was buried in VA.

They had the following children: 1.Thomas S. MEADOR was born in 1765/1770 and died about 1843.; 2.Rosannah MEADOR was born in 1767/1769 and died in 1812/1820.;3.John MEADOR was born on 22 Mar 1768 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in 1844 in NC.John married Nancy FLIPPEN.;4.William MEADOR was born in 1770/1775 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in 1854 in VA.William married Phebe FLIPPEN about 1800 in VA.;5.Jesse MEADOR Jr. was born in 1780/1785 in Cumberland Co., VA.Jesse married Elizabeth WINFREY on 13 Jul 1824 in Cumberland Co., VA.;6.Jonas MEADOR was born in 1780/1790 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in 1840/1841 in Cumberland Co., VA.;7.Martha MEADOR was born in 1780/1790 and died in 1814/1820.;8.Daniel MEADOR was born about 1780 in Cumberland Co., VA. He died in 1861 in Franklin Co., VA.;9.James MEADOR was born in 1786.

John WRIGHT (Dorothy AWBREY Thomas "Orphan" MEADOR Jr.,Thomas2 Meades, Father1was born about 1710/1712. He died in Feb 1792.John married þ Elizabeth BRONAUGH.

They had the following children:1.William WRIGHT. William married 1st Mary GRANT and married 2nd Elizabeth LLOYD.;2.John WRIGHT III was born about 1729 and died on 30 Oct 1789.;3.Elizabeth WRIGHT married Shadrack PARLOW.; 4.James WRIGHT.James married Mary DUNCAN.;5.Mary WRIGHT.;6.Rosamond WRIGHT.

Eighth Generation

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Meadors who were in the REVOLUTIONARY WAR and in WAR of 1812

Also found well be Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Health - Division of Vital Records; Male Index to Marriage Registers - Rockingham County, Va - From 1778; From a one sheet paper entitled: "Virginia Marriages 1753-1831," published in "Meadows Heritage Newsletter" issue number, date & page number missing: (Note: records should be vertified).

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William MEADOR (Ambrose MEADOR, Thomas MEADOR, John4, Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born about 1762 in Breckinridge Co., KY.

William married They had the following children:

1.Jubal MEADOR b 26 Dec 1798 in Bedford Co Va. d 14 April 1865 Edgar Co ILL.m'd 26 Feb 1817 Breckenridge Co. Ky. Nancy Macy.

2 Ann Meador b 1795 Loudoun Co. Va d 12 Feb 1865 m'd 12 Dec 1817 Gamaliel Macy

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Jesse MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr.,Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1750 in Caroline Co., VA. He died on 5 Nov 1821 in Franklin Co., VA.Jesse married 1st Nancy ANDERSON on 4 Dec 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. Nancy was born about 1758 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1788 in Franklin Co., VA.

They had the following children:

1. Amelia MEADOR was born in 1775/1780.

Jesse also married 2nd Mary MANN on 23 Feb 1789 in Franklin Co., VA. Mary was born in 1750 in Franklin Co., VA. She died before 1817.

They had the following children:

2. Moses G. MEADOR was born in 1796 and died on 23 Feb 1860/1870 Jesse also married 3rd Lucy HIX about 1817. Lucy was born on 7 Mar 1756 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 28 Sep 1823 in Franklin Co., VA.

John Watts MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1751/1758 in Bedford Co., VA. He died before Mar 1809 in Franklin Co., VA. John married 1st Anna WATTS on 2 Dec 1805 in VA. Anna was born about 1751 in VA. She died in 1820/1830 in Smith Co., TN.

John and Anna had the following children:

1. Anna MEADOR was born about 1783 in Franklin Co., VA.

2. John MEADOR was born in 1785 in Franklin Co., VA.

3. Jesse MEADOR was born on 9 Nov 1792 and died on 18 Dec 1865.

4. Joel MEADOR was born about 1794 in Franklin Co., VA.

5. Patsy MEADOR was born about 1796 in Franklin Co., VA.

6. Richard M. MEADOR was born about 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in Breckenridge Co., KY.

James MEADOR was born about 1800 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1834 in Breckenridge Co., KY.John also married (2) Patty WOOD in 1785. Patty was born about 1764 in Bedford Co., VA.

*Mary MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1751/1758 in Bedford Co., VA. She died before 1818 in VA Susanah(Mary) married John HEARD, son of Stephen HEARD Sr. and Mary FAULKNER Lady, in 1768 in Virginia. John was born in 1744/1746 in Albemarle Co., VA. He died in 1797 in Greensboro, Greene Co., GA.

They had the following children:

1. Susannah HEARD was born on 15 Mar 1770 in Amelia Co., VA. Susannah married 1st Mr. HARRIS. NGN was born about 1766 in Amelia Co., VA.and married 2nd William BABB. William was born about 1766.

2. Elizabeth HEARD was born on 10 Mar 1772 in Amelia Co., VA. Elizabeth married Reuben EDWARDS. Reuben was born about 1768.

3. *Jesse F. HEARD was born on 15 Mar 1774 and died in 1830/1840.

4. James HEARD was born on 19 May 1776 and died on 26 Sep 1857.

5. Sarah HEARD "Sary" was born on 15 Jun 1778 in Amelia Co., VA. Sary married Joseph JONES. Joseph was born about 1774.

6. Mary HEARD was born on 2 Oct 1780 in Amelia Co., VA.Mary married Mr HIBBARD/Hubbard

7. Anne HEARD was born on 19 Mar 1783 in Greene Co., GA. Anne married Mr BOYD.

8. John HEARD Jr. was born on 2 Dec 1785 in Greene Co., GA. He died in 1850/1860.John married Sarah COMBES. Sarah was born about 1789.

9. Joel HEARD was born on 19 Dec 1788 and died on 23 Jul 1869.

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Susanah(Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)married William MARTIN on 8 Dec 1782 in Franklin Co., VA. William was born in 1755/1760 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1832 in Floyd Co., KY.

They had the following children:

1. David MARTIN was born in 1784 and died in Apr 1844.

2. Millie MARTIN was born in 1790 in VA.

3. Mildred MARTIN was born in 1790 in Franklin Co., VA.

4. Joel MARTIN was born in 1792 in Franklin Co., VA. Joel married 1st Rebecca FLETCHER on 15 Mar 1812 in Floyd Co., KY. Rebecca was born about 1791 in Floyd Co., KY.Joel also married 2nd Polly MORGAN. Polly was born about 1796 in VA.

5. Anna Annie MARTIN was born in 1794.

6. Susannah MARTIN was born on 22 May 1794 and died on 9 Oct 1859.

7. Rhoda MARTIN was born on 13 Jul 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1893 in Searcy Co., AR.Rhoda married Elder James ADAMS on 4 Jun 1816 in Floyd Co., KY. James was born about 1797 in VA.

8. Sallie MARTIN was born in 1802 in VA. Sallie married99 Joe GEARHARE on 1 Jul 1821 in Floyd Co., KY. Joe was born

about 1800 in VA.

9. Sarah MARTIN was born in 1802 in VA.

10 William MARTIN was born in 1803 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in Sep 1853 in Greene Co., MO.William married 1st Rita GEARHART. Rita was born about 1807 in VA. and married 2nd Rita ADAMS. Rita was born about 1805 in VA.

11 John MARTIN was born in 1807 in Floyd Co., KY. He died in Floyd Co., KY. John married Anna GEARHART on 1 Nov 1831 in Wayland, Floyd Co., KY. Anna was born about 1809 in Floyd Co., KY.

Jonas MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)was born on 3 Feb 1758 in Bedford Co., VA. He died in 1839 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.Jonas married 1st Clarissa WATTS "Clara" on 22 Nov 1778 in Floyd Co., KY. Clara was born in 1765 in Floyd Co., KY. She died in 1830/1839 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.

They had the following children:

1 Fleming MEADOR was born on 5 Jan 1782 and died on 12 Jul 1864.

2 Susannah MEADOR was born in 1784 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1879 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.

3. Frances MEADOR was born on 7 Mar 1786 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 11 Feb 1856 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN. Frances married James CLAIBORNE, son of George W. CLAIBORNE and Emily MEADOR. James was born on 16 Jul 1796 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 29 Oct 1858 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.

4. Ira M. MEADOR was born in 1789 and died on 1 Oct 1849.

5. Asa MEADOR was born on 12 Aug 1790 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 27 Sep 1870 in Simpson Co., KY. Asa married Elizabeth CLAIBORNE, daughter of George W. CLAIBORNE and Emily MEADOR, on 29 Dec 1816 in Sumner Co., TN. Elizabeth was born on 1 Jan 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 22 Nov 1877 in Simpson, , KY.

6. Jonas MEADOR was born in 1793 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 8 Jan 1815 in LA.

7. Joseph MEADOR was born in 1795 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 4 Feb 1815 in LA.

8. Jobe MEADOR was born on 15 Jul 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1882 in Independence, , MO. Jobe married111 Nancy DONOHO110 on 19 May 1818 in Sumner Co., TN. Nancy was born about 1792 in Sumner Co., TN. She died about 1827.

9. Jesse MEADOR was born on 27 Sep 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 10 May 1840 in KY.Jesse married Polly AUSTIN on 20 Mar 1825 in Sumner Co., TN. Polly was born about 1804 in Sumner Co., TN. 11. Joel MEADOR was born in 1803 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1860/1870 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.

Jonas also married 2nd Lucy ECHOLS on 6 Jun 1792 in Halifax Co., VA. Lucy was born about 1762 in Halifax Co., VA.

Joel MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 8 Mar 1760 in Bedford Co., VA. He died on 18 Apr 1834 in Sumner Co., TN. Joel married Sarah [Sally] MOORE "Sallie" on 13 Jun 1780 in Franklin Co., VA. Sallie was born in Mar 1762 in Franklin Co., VA. She died after 1840 in Smith Co., TN.

They had the following children:

1. Ann MEADOR was born about 1781 in Bedford Co., TN.

2. Sally MEADOR was born about 1783 in Bedford Co., TN.

3. Lydia MEADOR was born about 1783 in Franklin Co., VA.

4. Lydia MEADOR was born about 1785 in Bedford Co., TN. Lydia married John BEST on 9 May 1801 in Franklin Co., VA.

5. Jeptha Moore MEADOR was born on 8 May 1787 and died on 13 Dec 1848.

6. Emily MEADOR was born about 1791 and died after 1860.

7. Bannister MEADOR was born in 1794.

8. Bennett MEADOR was born in 1795 in Franklin Co., VA.

9. Joel Joseph MEADOR was born in 1795 and died in 1862.

10. Ruth MEADOR was born on 23 Jun 1799 in Franklin Co., VA.

11. Joseph MEADOR was born in 1805 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 27 Nov 1853 in Marion Co., IL.Joseph married ucinda LATIMER in 1823.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR RECORDS - Selected Records from Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Applications Files - Film No. M805-578 - Abstracted from copies of the original claims by June Bork, June 1993:

JOEL MEADOR & wife SALLY _____ - No. W.7445 - Revolutionary War Pension Application

Frances MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR,John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1760/1765 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1820/1827 in Franklin Co., VA.Frances married Charles SIMMONS, son of Charles SIMMONS and Mary WAINWRIGHT. Charles was born in 1750/1760 in Linville Creek, Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1827 in Franklin Co., VA.

They had the following children:

1. Moses SIMMONS was born in 1775/1780 and died in 1849.

2. Elijah SIMMONS was born about 1780 in Bedford Co., VA. Elijah married þ Rhoda ANDERSON on 14 Jan 1805 in Franklin Co., VA. Rhoda was born about 1780 in VA.

3.Joel SIMMONS was born in 1780 in Franklin Co., VA. Joel married 1st Barsheba WRIGHT, daughter of Joseph WRIGHT and þ Elizabeth KEMP, on 13 Sep 1806 in Franklin Co., VA. Barsheba was born about 1782 in Bedford Co., VA. Joel also married 2nd Mrs. Elizabeth SIMMONS on 13 Sep 1806 in Franklin Co., VA. Elizabeth was born about 1785 in Franklin Co., VA. 5. Charles SIMMONS was born in 1785 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in Nov 1844 in Macon Co., TN. Charles married þMrs. Rhoda SIMMONS Ø about 1810 in Franklin Co., VA. Rhoda was born about 1790 in VA.

6.Mildred SIMMONS was born in 1788 and died after 1860.

7. Rhoda SIMMONS was born in 1789 in Franklin Co., VA. Rhoda married þ Uriah BASHAM on 27 May 1804 in Franklin Co., VA.

8. Mary SIMMONS was born in 1790.

Isham MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 20 Mar 1762 in Bedford Co., VA. He died on 25 Nov 1840 in Sumner Co., TN. Isham married 1st Obedience BRADSHAW "Biddy" on 25 Nov 1782 in Bedford Co., VA. Biddy was born about 1762 in Franklin Co., VA. She died before 1817 in Smith Co., TN. and married 2nd to Martha Craighead SULLIVAN on 9 May 1817. Martha was born about 1799 in Franklin Co., VA. She died TN.

They had the following children:

1. Jobe MEADOR was born about 1785 and died after 1860.

2. William MEADOR was born on 26 Apr 1786 and died on 16 Sep 1856.

3. Eli MEADOR was born in 1787 and died on 10 Jan 1847.

4. Ephraim MEADOR was born about 1788 in Bedford Co., VA.

5. Ambrose MEADOR was born about 1791 in Bedford Co., VA.

7. Deaton MEADOR was born about 1793 in Bedford Co., VA. 8. Peter MEADOR was born about 1795 in Bedford Co., VA. 9. Elizabeth Hannah MEADOR was born about 1799 in Franklin Co., VA. She died after 1880 in Lafayette Co., MO. 10. Jesse MEADOR was born in 1799. 11. Allen MEADOR was born on 23 Jun 1790 and died on 19 Sep 1869. 12. #Matilda Jane MEADOR was born about 1791/1792. 13. #Jason MEADOR was born about 1792/1793 and died on 2 Aug 1855. 14.# Pleasant M. MEADOR was born on 12 Jan 1796. 15.# Margaret MEADOR was born on 21 Dec 1802 and died on 20 Oct 1865. 16. # Christiana MEADOR was born about 1803 in Franklin Co., VA. Christiana married William JUSTICE on 14 Feb 1820 in TN. 17. John Moses MEADOR was born about 1804/1806 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1848/1850 in Sumner Co., TN. John married Malinda BELL on 2 Aug 1830 in Sumner Co., TN. 18.# Mary MEADOR was born in 1816 in Smith Co., TN.

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ISHAM MEADOR & (2nd) wife MARTHA (Nee Craighead, Mrs, Martha Sullivan) - No.21048 - Revolutionary War Pension

Jobe MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1764 in Indian Run, Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1832/1840 in Smith Co, ., TN. Jobe married Martha WOOD, daughter of Peter WOOD, on 17 Nov 1785 in Franklin Co., VA. Martha was born in 1769 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1840/1850 in Smith Co., TN.

Jobe and Martha had the following children:

1. Ephraim MEADOR was born on 23 May 1787 and died on 15 Feb 1852.

2. Ambrose MEADOR was born on 23 Mar 1791 and died on 2 May 1861.

3. Deaton MEADOR was born on 16 Jun 1793 and died on 30 Jun 1850.

4. Millie MEADOR was born in 1795 and died on 3 Aug 1834.

5. Joel MEADOR was born in 1795 and died in 1860.

6. Mary MEADOR was born in 1799 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 24 Oct 1854 in Allen Co., KY.Mary married MR. CINDER. Mr Cinder was born about 1799 in Franklin Co., VA.

7. Clarissa MEADOR was born on 3 Dec 1801 and died on 16 Mar 1877.

8. Martha MEADOR was born on 21 Jul 1801 and died on 25 Aug 1865.

9. Anderson MEADOR was born in 1811 and died after 1880.

10. Elizabeth MEADOR was born on 18 Aug 1813 in Smith Co., TN. She died on 24 Feb 1894 in Marion Co., IL and was buried in Hickory Hill Cem., Marion Co., IL.

11.Joseph MEADOR was born in 1816 in Smith Co., TN. Joseph married Louisa RHODES. Louisa was born in 1818 in Smith Co., TN.

Anna MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 2 Mar 1768 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 16 Oct 1823 in Smith Co, ., TN and was buried in Simmons Cem., Macon Co., TN. Anna married Thomas SIMMONS, son of George SIMMONS and Elizabeth , on 3 Feb 1785 in Bedford Co., VA. Thomas was born on 2 Apr 1767 in Linville Creek, Franklin Co., VA. He died on 10 Oct 1843 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Simmons Cem., Macon Co., TN.

They had the following children:

1. Susannah SIMMONS was born in 1786 in Franklin Co., VA. She died after 1860.

2. Nathan SIMMONS was born on 23 Mar 1791 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 6 Oct 1822 in Macon Co., TN.

3. Smith SIMMONS was born in 1786/1794 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1824 in Macon Co., TN.

4. Christopher SIMMONS was born on 9 Jul 1794 and died on 20 Sep 1860.

5. Lucy SIMMONS was born on 3 Mar 1797 in Franklin Co., VA.

6. Frances SIMMONS was born on 20 Apr 1800 and died on 20 May 1851.

7. Mary SIMMONS was born in 1804 in Franklin Co., VA.

8. Levina SIMMONS was born about 1806 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1824/1829 in TN.

Joseph MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1772 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in Oct 1832 in Franklin Co., VA. Joseph married Sarah DIVERS, daughter of John H. DIVERS and Mary Rebecca GREER, on 23 Apr 1794 in Franklin Co., VA. Sarah was born in 1760 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1834 in TN.

They had the following children:

1. John MEADOR was born in 1795/1796 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in TN.

2. Fleming MEADOR was born in 1796 in Franklin Co., VA.

3. Susannah MEADOR was born in 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1850 in Bedford Co., VA. Susannah married Thomas ELLIS on 13 Jan 1820 in Franklin Co., VA.

4. Christopher MEADOR was born on 8 Apr 1800 and died on 26 Jul 1843.

5. Joel MEADOR was born on 13 Dec 1801 and died on 5 Dec 1844.

6. Joseph Divers MEADOR was born in 1803 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 17 Oct 1860 in Morgan Co., MO.

7. Jonas MEADOR was born in 1804/1805 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1855/1860 in Morgan Co., MO. Jonas married114 Polly LANSDOWN?, daughter of William LANSDOWN?, on 27 Feb 1826 in Bedford Co., VA.

8. Ananias MEADOR was born about 1806 and died in 1835.

9. Mary Polly MEADOR was born about 1808 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1834/1835 in Smith Co., TN.

10. Sarah MEADOR was born in 1812 in Franklin Co., VA. Sarah married Johnson LANSDOWN? on 7 Feb 1825.

11. Moses Greer MEADOR was born in 1814 and died in 1862.

James MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)was

born in 1774 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 11 Sep 1854 in Franklin Co., VA and was buried in Sep 1854 in Franklin Co., VA. James married 1st Mary DIVERS, daughter of John H. DIVERS and Mary Rebecca GREER, on 13 Sep 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. Mary was born in 1765/1775 in Franklin Co., VA. She died after 1850 in Franklin Co., VA. James also married 2nd Sarah DIVERS, daughter of John H. DIVERS and Mary Rebecca GREER, on 13 Sep 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. Sarah was born in 1760 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1834 in TN.

They had the following children:

1. Margaret MEADOR was born in 1798 and died after 1872.

2. Elizabeth MEADOR was born on 18 Jun 1802 and died on 11 Jun 1865.

3. Joseph D. MEADOR was born in 1803 in Franklin Co., VA. Joseph married <> Jane ARRINGTON on 17 Jan 1830.

4. John G. MEADOR was born in 1805 in Franklin Co., VA. John married Serepta SIMMONS on 29 Jan 1824.

5. Susan MEADOR was born in 1806 in Franklin Co., VA. Susan married þ John ADKINS on 6 Oct 1830. John was born about 1802 in Franklin Co., VA.

6. Joel MEADOR was born in 1810 in Franklin Co., VA. He died after 1880 in Franklin Co., VA. Joel married Irena ARRINGTON on 6 Jul 1833 in Franklin Co., VA. Irena was born about 1813 in VA. She died on 11 Apr 1859.

7. Jesse MEADOR was born in 1815 in Franklin Co., VA.

8.James P. MEADOR was born in 1814 in Franklin Co., VA. James married Sarah BOOTH on 14 Jan 1836.

Rhoda MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born on 10 Mar 1775 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 4 May 1862 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Haysville Cem., Macon Co., TN. Rhoda married Hezekiah BLANKENSHIP on 28 Feb 1791 in Franklin Co., VA. Hezekiah was born on 13 Sep 1767 in VA. He died on 28 Feb 1816 in Smith Co., TN and was buried in Haysville Cem., Macon Co.,TN.

They had the following children:

1. Lydia BLANKENSHIP was born in 1796.

2. Elijah BLANKENSHIP was born on 17 Jun 1797 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 14 Oct 1840 in Franklin Co., VA.

3. Sarah BLANKENSHIP was born in 1798 in Franklin Co., VA.

4. Joel BLANKENSHIP was born on 21 May 1799 and died on 9 Oct 1882.

5. Isham BLANKENSHIP was born in 1805 in Franklin Co., VA. He died after 1880 in TN.

6. Hezekiah BLANKENSHIP was born in 1807 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 3 Sep 1843 in Marion Co., IL.

7. Milly BLANKENSHIP was born about 1809 in Franklin Co., VA.

8. John BLANKENSHIP was born in 1816 in Franklin Co., VA.

Emily MEADOR (Joel MEADOR, Jonas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1) was born in 1776 in Franklin Co., VA. She died in 1850/1860 in Macon Co., TN. Emily married 1st George W. CLAIBORNE, son of Jonas CLAIBORNE and Elizabeth ROBERTSON, in 1793 in Franklin Co., VA. George was born in 1770 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1840/1850 in Macon Co., TN.

They had the following children:

1. Joel CLAIBORNE was born in 1794/1795 and died in 1830.

2. Susannah CLAIBORNE was born on 4 Mar 1795 and died after 1870.

3. James CLAIBORNE was born on 16 Jul 1796 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 29 Oct 1858 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN. James married Frances MEADOR104, daughter of Jonas MEADOR and Clarissa WATTS. Frances was born on 7 Mar 1786 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 11 Feb 1856 in Macon Co., TN and was buried in Jonas Meador Cem., Macon Co., TN.

4. Elizabeth CLAIBORNE was born on 1 Jan 1798 in Franklin Co., VA. She died on 22 Nov 1877 in Simpson, , KY.Elizabeth married106 Asa MEADOR105, son of Jonas MEADOR and Clarissa WATTS, on 29 Dec 1816 in Sumner Co., TN. Asa was born on 12 Aug 1790 in Franklin Co., VA. He died on 27 Sep 1870 in Simpson Co., KY.

5. Mary CLAIBORNE was born in 1804 in Franklin Co., VA. Mary married þ Thomas WOODCOCK on 17 Aug 1826. Thomas was born about 1800. He died in 1834.

6. John M. CLAIBORNE was born on 9 Sep 1809 and died after 1880.

7. Daniel CLAIBORNE was born in 1812 and died before 1860.

8. Emily CLAIBORNE was born in 1813 and died after 1880.

9. George CLAIBORNE was born about 1816 in Smith Co., TN.

Emily also married 2nd John CLIBURN about 1793. John was born about 1770 in Allen Co., KY. He died about 1830.Emily also married 3rd George W. CLAIBORNE, son of Jonas CLAIBORNE and Elizabeth ROBERTSON. George was born in 1770 in Franklin Co., VA. He died in 1840/1850 in Macon Co., TN.

Ninth Generation Jubal MEADOR (William MEADOR, Ambrose MEADOR, Thomas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)) was born 26 Dec 1798 in Breckinridge Co., KY.d 14 April 1865 in Edgar Co.ILL. M 26 Feb 1817 to Nancy MASSEY. Nancy was born about 1802 in Breckenridge Co., KY.d 16 Mar 1864 Edgar Co ILL. buried 18 Mar 1864 in Pryor Cem. Edgar Co. ILL Nancy is the daugther of Robert and Mary Maysey(Macy/Massey) Robert Maysey family came be found on this webpage under Maysey. Robert is a brother my Mary Maysey Tunnell

They had the following children:

1. Marny Annelian b 1823 Lawrence, Ind

2. Calvin b 1825 in Putnam, Ind

3. Lucinda b 1826 in Putnam, Ind

4. William M b 1828 in Putnam, Ind

5. Elizabeth

6 James b 1830 in Putnam, Ind

7.John P. MEADOR was born on 1835 Edgar. ILL. He died on 25 Jun 1890 in Breckenridge Co., KY.

8.Saridlda b 1839 in Edgar, ILL

ANN MEADOR (William MEADOR, Ambrose MEADOR, Thomas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)) b 1796 Loudon Co.Va d 12 Feb 1865 Lyon Co Ks. Buried 14 Feb 1865 Hartford. KS. m'd Gamaliel Macy/Maysey. Gambliel parents were Robert Maysey/Macy and Mary. Robert is a brother to my Mary Maysey Tunnell. To find out more the Maysey look for them on this webpage.

Ann Meador and Gamaliel Macy/Maysey Children:

1 William M b 1827 Putnam, IND m'd Danis Hoogland on 12 July 1856

2 Lucinda b 3 oct 1818 Breckenridge Ky d 11 July 1883 m John Norgan Yarger on 2 Mar 1841

3 Nancy b 1829 Putma, Ind d 1902 m'd Henry J Stration on 22 Sep 1849

4 Gamaliel JR

Thomas MEADOR (Thomas MEADOR, Ambrose MEADOR, Thomas MEADOR, John4 Meadows , Sr., Thomas "Orphan"3, Thomas2 Meades, Father1)was born on 11 Jan 1805 in VA. He died on 3 Feb 1880 in Breckinridge Co., KY and was buried in Meador Cem., Hardinsburg, , KY. Thomas married (1)Sarah(Sally) SNYDER on 30 Dec 1823 in Breckenridge Co., KY. S. SNYDER was born in 1807. She died about 1852. 2) Judith SCOTT, daughter of Nicholas SCOTT and Mary PATE. Judith was born on 16 Aug 1814 in Breckenridge Co., KY. She died on 8 Jul 1900 and was buried in Scott Payne Cem., Harned, KY.

They had the following children:

1. Elihu MEADOR was born on 15 Oct 1824 and died on 6 May 1892.

2. Sarah MEADOR was born about 1827. She died in 1892.

3. Taylor MEADOR was born in 1831.

4. Mary Jane MEADOR was born in 1834. She died in 1897.m'd Charles Macy

5. Theodicia MEADOR "Docie" was born in 1836. She died in 1861.

6. William MEADOR was born in 1842. He died in 1860.

7. Thomas MEADOR was born in 1842.

Thomas also married (2) Judith SCOTT, daughter of Nicholas SCOTT and Mary PATE. Judith was born on 16 Aug 1814 in Breckenridge Co., KY. She died on 8 Jul 1900 and was buried in Scott Payne Cem., Harned, KY.

They had the following children:

8. James MEADOR was born in 1853. He died in 1931.

9. Lucy MEADOR was born in 1857.

4.Mary Jane Meadors b 11 May 1834 in Breckinridge Co. Kentucky d 27 July 1896 buried in New Salem Cemetery near Neosho in Newton Co. Missouri, m'd 19 Feb 1852 to Charles Macy b 4 Feb 1831 d 28 Feb 1876 in Breckrinridge Co. Charles is the son of William Macy and Mary Huff. William Macy parents were Robert and Mary Macy/Maysey. Robert Maysey father is John and his found Maysey page on this webpage. For Robert is brother to My Mary Maysey Tunnell

Their children were:

1. Robert b 24 Dec 1852 Breckinridge Co. Ky d 7 Nov 1866

2. Mary Eliza b 15 Dep 1854 Breckinridge Co Ky d 11 Dec 1854

3. Sarah Lydia b 16 Oct 1855 Breckinridge Co. Ky m'd Nathan Spears

4. Nancy Elizabeth b 8 Nov 1858 Kansas d 1922 m'd John McNeal White on 25 Mar 1883

5. William stephen b 117 Jan 1862 Emporia Kansas m'd Lou Ella Pritchard 3 Apr 188?

6. Martha Jane b 23 Jan 1864 Kansas m'd William Crisswell 18 July 1884

7. Rachael Frances b 26 Feb 1866 Kansas m'd Mr. Edson

8. Charles Thomas b 2 Oct 1868 Missouri M'd Minnie A Hargraves 12 July 188?

9 Laura Isabel b 16 Nov 1874 Newton Co. Missouri d 1 Feb 1947 m'd William E Caruthers 18 Dec 1892

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Click here for MeadorIII

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p. 110 Whereas THOMAS MEATHER hath made complaint that LAMBERT LAMBETHSON hath privately absented himselfe out of this County of Lancr: & disposed of ye greatest part of his Estate & Whereas ye sd MEATHER hath likewise made complaint that he standeth bound for ye sd LAMBERT unto Lt. Col. ELLYOTT in a specialty of Four thousand Five hundred pounds of tobo: & cask & one years forebearance as by counterbond under ye sd LAMBERTs hand bearing date ye 23d of March Ao. 1653 appeareth ye most part of wch: debt being yet unsatisfied, these are therefore in his Highnes Name ye Lord P:tector to will & require you to attach so much of ye goods & chattels of ye sd LAM: LAMBETHSON & ye same to detain or so to provide that the may be forth coming & responsable to the secureing & saveing harmles ye sd THOMAS MEATHER from the sd specialty of Four thousand Five hundred pounds of tobo: & cask & one years forebearance if by legall proceedings it be so determined hereof; fail not as you will answer ye contrary at your peril & also to make sufficient return of this Writ. Given under my hand this xvi of May Anno Domini 1656

To the Sherif of Lancr: his Deputy or Deputies JOHN CARTER

Recordat 16d Jun: 1656

p. 110 June ye 12th 1656: Attached by vertue of an attachmt. under & from ye hand of Colo. JOHN CARTER dated ye 16th of May 1656 in ye hands of ROBT. WIDDIE 1000 lbs. tobo:; in ye hands of WM. WRIGHT & ROBT. SISON 3000 lbs. of tobo: all which goods are in ye hands of Mr. SHERLOCKE Test VINC: STANFORD Sub Sher

record 16d Jun: 1656 Comr. Lancr.

pp. 110-111 To the Worshipfull Commissioners of Lancaster County

The humble Petition of THO: MEATHER sheweth that your Petitionrer standeth ingaged unto Lt. Colo. ELLYET in ye sum of Four thousand Five hundred pounds of tobo: with one years forebearance ever since ye year 1653 for Mr. LAMBERT LAMBETHSON wch: debt being unsatisfied except 1736 lbs. which was paid in ye year 1655 & ye sd LAMBETHSON haveing exempted himselfe out of this River without takeing any care of ye paymt. of ye sd debt as far as I can understand which will be partly to ye ruin of your petitioner except some course be taken with his Estate for your petitioners security, And your petitioner further sheweth that he hath counterbond under ye sd LAMBERTs hand for to save him harmless wch: haveing shewed with his Complaint to Colo. CARTER an attachment was granted to your petitoner directed to ye Sheriff to attach what goods could be found til this Court & to secure them til further order according as it is provided in such cases & he shall every pray &c.

Record 17 Jun: 1656

p. 111 The mark of WALTER HERD is a halfe moone under ye right ear & upon ye left with a crop on ye top of both ears

Record 15d Aprilis Anno 1656

pp. 111-112 KNOW ALL MEN by these p:sents that I JACOB ESTERBROOKE of LONDON, Maryner, in my stead & place by these p:sents do depute & put my loveing friend, HUMPHRY BOOTH in Virginia, Mercht., to be my true & lawfull Attorney for me to my only use to ask demand recover receive & take of all such sums of tobo: as appear to be ye debts of ye sd JACOB ESTERBROOKE now due & owing unto me by & from any p:sons in Virginia, giveing my sd Attorney all my power & authority to commence & procecute any suit in any Court or Courts of that Country for ye recovery of ye same p:mises agt. them ye sd p:sons them or either acquittances or any other lawfull discharges for me & in my name to make & deliver as my deeds finally to do & p:form all

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VIRGINIA COUNTY COURT RECORDS

DEED & WILL ABSTRACTS of LANCASTER COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1652-1657

(Italics in this book are used to denote questionable or unclear names)

(p. 133 of this book). At a Grand Assembly helden at James Cittie 11th Decembr: 1656: Whereas a peticon of the Inhabitants of the Lower Ptes. of Lancaster Countie bearinge their vast distance from the County Cort: was p:sented the Honble. Assembly by Capt. Moore Fantleroy and theire desire of haveing a County devided ....(Rappahannock County formed from Lancaster County)

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Name: Stanley Gower
Birth: 17 Nov 1679 Richmond Co. Va
Death: 5 Apr 1736 Richmond Co. Va

Father: Francis Gower (ca 1657-1691)
Mother: Anne Clarke (ca 1657-)

Spouse: Sarah Jackson
Birth: abt 1680
Death: 21 Oct 1730 Richmond Co. Va

Children:
Ann (ca 1700-1734)
Frances (1700-1750)
John
Catherine
Stanley

The Stanley Gower family is described:

> Stanley Gower who married Sarah Jackson lived in Richmond County, Virginai. He had: John, Catherine, Frances (who married William Sisson); and Stanley who married Martha -; and Anne who married Joshua Singleton. 1

A land transation in 1701 involving Stanley Gower and his wife Sarah, his grand uncle Henry Clarke, his father Francis Gower, and his brother John Gower.

> 18 Oct 1701. Deed. Stanley Gower and Sarah my wife of N Farnham Parish Richmond Co for a valuable consideration hold ourselves fully satisfied , and contented by the penal sum of 12,000 pounds of tobb sold unto Peter Kippax Clarke of same place ... a 350 a. tr of land in the forrest betweene Totuskey and Rappa Cr upon the maine road pt/o the land and plantation formerly in the tenure of Henry Clarke decd which land was divided per consent and good liking of ANGELL JACOBUS & my father Francis Gower decd. Wit: John Gower, Wm Lingon, Samll Bayly.Ackn 3 Dec 1701. Attest: James Sherlock clerk. (Bk 3pg: 75) 2

From a diary we find:

> April 6. Old Stanley Gower died Saturday last of pleurisy. I never soo much heard that he was ill, tho' I lived so near him. 3

Stanley Gower's Will:

> Stanely Gower, NFP, will; 17 Oct 1732, 5 Apr 1736 son John 100 ac. at the head of the tract of land whereon I now dwell, including the 40 ac. I purchased of Capt. Robert Tomolin; dau. Catharine Gower tract of land near Totuskey Ferry which I had in exchange with Mr. Joshua Singleton for that

whe he now lives; dau. Frances Sisson tract of land formerly taken up by my father in Essex Co. on Hoskins Creek; son Stanley the plant. whereon I now dwell; dau. Anne Singleton; ex: fr. Robert Tomlin and s-i-l Joshua Singleton; wits: Samuel Barber, John Dozier, Nathaniel Thrift. 4

1. *The Dodson (Dotson) family of North Farnham Parish, Richmond County, Virginia*

2. *Abstracts of Land Records of Richmond County, Virginia 1692-1704*, by Mary Marshall Brewer.

3. "Diary of Col. Landen Carter", William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Hagazine, Volume 13, College of William and Mary

4. *Wills of Richmond County*, Virtinia, 1699-1800 by Robert Kirk Headley

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John De Young

♂ Bef 1638 - 1672 (> 34 years)

Name	John De Young	
Born	Bef 1638	
Gender	Male	
Died	6 Nov 1672	North Farnham Parish, Old Rappahannock County, Virginia - Probate
Person ID	I082378	Tree1
Last Modified	21 Jul 2018	

Family	Anne Knott, **b.** Abt 1644, Kent Island, Maryland, **d.** Aft 1656, Northumberland County, Virginia (Age ~ 13 years)	
Notes	∘ this marriage is not proved... George Knott could have married John Deyoung's sister	
Last Modified	21 Jul 2018	
Family ID	F33092	Group Sheet | Family Chart

Notes

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Old Rappahannock County Deeds and Wills, 1665-1677; Antient Press; pg 129-131
IN THE NAME OF GOD Amen I JOHN DEYOUNG of the County of Rappa and Parish of Farnham being very weake in body but of Sound and perfect memory doe heere make my last Will and Testament as followeth
Imp. I bequeath my Soule to God that gave it in hopes of a sure and certaine resurrection in and through Jesus Christ my Lord and Saviour and my body to be buried in such decent manner as my Friends hereafter named shall think meet and my worldly goods in manner and form following
Item I give unto my Daughter ELIZABETH DEYOUNG two Cowes & all my whole Stock of hoggs which shall happen to be after my decease and also one Steer of lower years old
Item It is my will that the rest of my whole Stock of Cattle both male and feemale bee equally devided between my fower Children Vizt: ELIZABETH, ANN, HONOUR and JOHN DEYOUNG
Item I give unto JOHN DEYOUNG my long Gunn
Item I do moreover give unto my Daughter ELIZABETH my best feather bed with the rugg and blanketts belonging thereunto.
Item I doe give the remainder of my goods & moveables to be equally devided betweene my abovesd Children ELIZABETH, ANNE, JOHN & HONOUR DEYOUNG Item I give my land unto my Sonne JOHN DEYOUNG
Item It is my will that my Stock nor other Estate bee noe waies removed of the land if possibly it may he prevented
Item It is my will that my Daughter ELIZABETH together with my Brot. in Law GEORGE KNOTT and my Friend THOMAS FRESHWATER doe after my decease take care to see this my last Will and Testamt, in all particulars as neare as may bee performed and first before my legacies bee paid as aforesd my debts bee paid and satisfied and in confirmation of the prmises I have heerunto sett my hand and Seale this 5th of March 1671/2
Signed sealed and published JOHN DEYOUNG seale
in the presence of us ZACHERY EFFORD WILLIAM DAVIS
Wee the Subscribers doe declare that wee did see JOHN DEYOUNG sign seale and publish this as his Last Will and Testamt. and that he was then in perfect mind and memory to the best of our judgments
WILLIAM DAVIS
ZACHARY Jurantur in Cu Com Rappa Sexto die Novemb 1672 et Probat
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Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part I - 1656-1662; Antient Press; pg 79 - 80
KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I ROBERT SISON of the County of Rappahanock Planter for a valluable consideracon in hand receved do for me my heirs & admrs. give sell & absolutely conveigh unto JOHN DE YOUNG of the County aforesaid Planter the moiety or one halfe part of a parcell of land conteining One hundred & fifty acres situate & lying on the North side of RAPPAHANOCK RIVER being part or parcell of three hundred acres (missing) purchased by THOMAS MEADER of his Father AMBROSE MEADER & by the said THOMAS MEADER sould & conveyed to LAMBERT LAMBERTSON & the moiety

or half part of the said Three hundred acres of land sould & conveyed unto me the said ROBERT SISON by JOHN SHERLOCK. the Lawfull Attorny of the said LAMBERTSON as by (missing) Deed of Sale more plainly appear. To Have and to hold the aforesaid moiety or half part of One hundred & fifty acres of land by me formerly purchased as above men coned unto said JOHN DE YOUNG his heirs & assignes for Ever with all rights & priviledges thereunto belonging & appertaining without let or molesitacion of me the sd ROBERT SISON my heirs or assignes (missing) person or persons whatsoever (missing) unto the said JOHN DE YOUNG his heirs & assignes (missing) yeilding & paying the rents & services hereby due & further I (the said ROBERT) SISON with AMYE (my Wife do here)by oblige ourselves to acknowledge this Deed of Sale (missing) thereunto required & for the true performance hereof we have hereunto set our hands & seales this 26th day of December 1659
in presence of THOMAS FRESHWATER, ROBERT SISON: Seale
JOHN SHERLOCK AMYE SISON Seale
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Old Rappahannock Co Deed Book 1, Part II - 1662-1664; Antient Press; pg 336-337
KNOW ALL MEN that I JOHN DEYOUNG of the County of Rappa. for good & valluable consideracon by me in hand reced (missing) FRANCIS GOWER of the same County Planter have granted for me my heirs & assignes unto the aforesd FRANCIS GOWER Seventy five acres of land being on the North side of RAPPA RIVER aforesd being part of a devident of land (missing) lately granted unto me the sd DEYOUNG by R(missing) of the County aforesd Planter to have & enjoy the sd Seventy five acres of land withall the houses Edifices & buildings thereunto belonging according to the tenour & contents of the Pattent thereof & by the rights & services therein men coned to be paid unto the aforesd FRANCIS GOWER his heirs & assignes for ever & further I the sd JOHN DEYOUNG firmly bind me my heirs to warrant the aforesd Land unto the aforesd FRANCIS GOWER agt any person whatsoever claiming any right under me & further I the sd JOHN DEYOUNG bind myself with ELIZA. my Wife to acknowledge these presents in open Court when we are thereto required In Witness we set our hands & seals this 9th day of Aprill 1664
in presence of GEORGE HASLELOCKE, JOHN DEYOUNG
THO. GOOSE, PIERRE DIENSEFIT ELIZA. DEYOUNG
Recog in Cur Com Rappa 18 die January 1664
KNOW ALL MEN that I ELIZA. DEYOUNG Wife of JOHN DEYOUNG of the County of Rappa do constitute my trusty & welbeloved Friend THOMAS FRESHWATER to be my true & lawfull attorney for me to acknowledge a parcell of land sold by my abovesd Husband unto FRANCIS GOWER of the same County sd land being in Quantity Seaventy & five acres granting unto my sd Atto as full power as my self were present for the true performance of the same I have set my hand & seale this last day of June 1664
in presence of JOHN GUPPLIN ELIZA f DEYOUNG
LISSET GUPPLIN
Recordat 30 die jan 1664
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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 4; Pg 387
THOMAS ROBBISON, FRANCIS GOWER, ROBERT SISSON & JOHN DE YONGE, 174 acs. in Rappa. Co. on N. side of sd. river, 11 Mar. 1658, p. 260, (362). Faceing the river & extending along line of trees dividing this & land of the abovementioned, near the mouth of Wellinge alias Totoskin Cr. Trans. of 4 pers: John Fisher, Tho. Gray, John Ackuson, Mary Johnson.
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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 5: Pg 515
JOHN DEYOUNG, 450 acs. Rappa. Co., 3 Nov. 1664, p. 369, (404). N. side of sd. county upon Totoskey Cr., running W. by S. &c. to trees dividing this & land of John Sherlocke, bounding upon land of Leonard Jones &c. Trans. of 9 pers: Jane Burt, Wm. Capell, Fra. Slaughter, Wm. Fawden, Tho. Carew, Jno. Temple, Sam. Cortlet, Wm. Hay, Mary Spell

or real part of the said Three Hundred acres of land sould & conveyed unto me the said ROBERT SISON by JOHN SHERLOCK, the Lawful Attorny of the said LAMBERTSON as by (missing) Deed of Sale more plainly appear. To Have and to hold the aforesaid molety or real part of One Hundred & fifty acres of land by me formerly purchased as above men coned unto said JOHN DE YOUNG his heirs & assignes for Ever with all rights & privledges thereunto belonging & appertaining without let or molestaction of me the sd ROBERT SISON my heirs or assignes (missing) person or persons whatsoever (missing) unto the said JOHN DE YOUNG his heirs & assignes (missing) yelding & paying the rents & services thereby due & further I (the said ROBERT) SISON with AMYE (my Wife do hereby oblige ourselves to acknowledge this Deed of Sale (missing) thereunto required & for the true performance thereof we have hereunto set our hands & seales this 26th day of December 1859

in presence of THOMAS FRESHWATER, ROBERT SISON, Seale

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in presence of GEORGE HASLELOCKE, JOHN DEYOUNG

THO. BOOSE, PIERRE DIENSEFT ELIZA. DEYOUNG

Recog in Cur Com Rappa 18 die January 1864

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Recorded 30 die jan 1864

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CAVALIERS AND PIONEERS PATENT BOOK No. 8; Pg 518

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